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Reds Agree To Discuss Resumption Of Kaesong Talks

Tokyo, Sept. 23.

The Communists today agreed to send representatives to the battered village of Pan Mun Jom at 10 a.m. on Monday to discuss a resumption of the Korean truce talks with United Nations officers.

The Communist reply made it clear that the Reds will continue to insist on an investigation of their charges that the Allied violated the Kaesong neutral zone—a demand already rejected by Gen. Ridgway. The Communist reply was not expected to delay a resumption of the truce talks if other conditions are mutually satisfactory. The Reds proposed to let the question of "truce violations" wait until formal talks are resumed, rather than to discuss them at the liaison meeting.

North Korean Premier Kim Il-sung and Chinese General Peng Teh-huai announced their willingness to send liaison officers to discuss General Matthew B. Ridgway's qualified acceptance of their proposal for a renewal of the stalled negotiations. Gen. Ridgway had suggested the meeting at Pan Mun Jom in a message sent on Sunday to Premier Kim and General Peng.

The Reds' reply was broadcast over Radio Peking and monitored in Tokyo this morning. The first report from the monitors said the Reds rejected part of Gen. Ridgway's message which rejected their proposal to leave open for future action their charges.

The answer from Kim and Peng, coming less than 24 hours after Gen. Ridgway's message, said they would bring up the matter in the first meeting of the delegates. They said, "We have already instructed our delegates to put forward our demands for an appropriate machinery which should be set up by mutual agreement after the resumption of the Kaesong talks in order to deal with unsettled incidents."

PICKS UP MESSAGE

There seemed to be little chance that the armistice delegates would not get together again since the Reds said they would bring the matter up at the first meeting and not before.

The message was broadcast in English over Radio Peking shortly after 7 a.m. (Tokyo time), slightly more than 22 hours since Gen. Ridgway sent them his message. It said, "These unsettled incidents should not be allowed to go on impeding the progress of negotiations between both sides."

The acting liaison officer, Lieut Colonel Norman Edwards, picked up at Pan Mun Jom checkpoint at 8 a.m. today a message for General Matthew B. Ridgway from Communist Generals Kim Il-sung and Peng Teh-huai.

The message was forwarded immediately to Tokyo and was assured to be their agreement to the meeting of regular liaison officers of both sides at 10 a.m. —United Press.

LATEST FIGURES IN REFERENDUM

Sydney, Sept. 23.

The no vote against giving the Commonwealth Parliament power to outlaw the Communist Party lost ground on Sunday in the continued counting from Saturday's nationwide referendum.

But experts discounted the possibility the swing would be sufficient to put over Prime Minister Robert G. Menzies' proposed constitutional amendment.

At the end of Sunday's counting, votes against the proposed amendment had an Australia-wide majority of 113,416 with 882 000 votes still to be counted. —Associated Press.

Trapped In Ambush

Tel-Aviv, Sept. 23.

A military spokesman said on Sunday that five Israel soldiers were wounded, three of them seriously, in an ambush south of the Dead Sea last Friday. The spokesman said Arabs from Jordan territory were believed responsible for firing on the Israelis who were in a motor vehicle.

Israel has submitted an official complaint to the Israel - Jordan mixed armistice commission.—Associated Press.

Communist Party Building Wrecked

Pesaro, Italy, Sept. 23.

At least two people were killed and 30 seriously injured when a violent explosion wrecked a Communist Party building at near-by Fermi Gnano during a rally of members tonight.

About 100 members gathered on the roof of the two-storey building for a dance, one of a nationwide series of rallies organised by the Italian Communist Party to boost the circulation of its official organ, "Lunita" and as a drive for funds.

Eye-witnesses said that when the fun was at its highest, an explosion occurred in the ground floor of the building, hired out as a grain store.

The roof caved in, burying most of the people attending the party.

A Police officer said late tonight that they feared there may be more casualties under the tons of debris.

The cause of the explosion was not immediately known. —Reuter.

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Australian Referendum

MR Menzies, apparently, has failed in his attempt to obtain constitutional powers to repress and outlaw the Communist Party in Australia. The outcome of the referendum is not altogether surprising; despite the decisive vote of confidence which the Menzies-Fadden party received from the country at the last general elections. The referendum cannot be regarded as a denial by the people of the political mandate given to the Menzies' Government two years ago. The voters chose to make the request for an amendment to the constitution a national issue, and in so doing demonstrated their ability to distinguish between narrow party politics and national interests. Mr Menzies has expressed dismay at the result, yet he could hardly have been unprepared for it. Not only had a High Court judgment been delivered against the constitutional legality of legislation which Mr Menzies had previously passed through the House of Representatives, but the State parliaments also refused to give their approval to the outlawing measure. There were, therefore, reasons to believe that popular sentiment would be adverse to Mr Menzies' appeal. Nevertheless, there will be no danger of the outside world (other than the Communist-ruled countries) misunderstanding the decision of the Australians on this subject. This is no popular pro-Communism vote. The vast majority of Australians abhor Communism and all that it represents in regimentation and dictatorship. On the other hand, these same people are extremely jealous for the freedoms embodied in the Atlantic Charter, and by their voting have declined to vest in any government constitutional powers to interfere with those freedoms. There is evidence in abundance that the Australian Communists, though insignificant as a party, have effectively infiltrated into key trade union positions and are capable of exploiting these offices to the embarrassment of the government in power by bringing about partial dislocation of the country's commerce, industry and economy through wild-cat strikes and other acts inimical to the interests of the country. Not all of Labour's discontent, however, can be laid on the shoulders of the Communists. Some is completely genuine and independent of any Communist proclivities. Recognition of this conceivably influenced many of the voters last Saturday when they were asked to outlaw the Communists as a political party. But the overriding factor, undoubtedly, was appreciation of the fact that by suppressing a political party, except in a time of declared national emergency, Australia would be guilty of precisely the same intolerance practised by dictatorships in other parts of the world. Moreover, constitutional outlawing of an organisation does not mean that it ceases to operate. It immediately goes underground and is capable of becoming increasingly insidious in its activities and influence. The power to suppress is a dangerous weapon in the hands of any government, and is not to be tolerated in any democratic state except in times of great national emergency. The whole of Australia will applaud Mr Menzies' efforts, under existing constitutional, legislative and legal powers, to curb and defeat the Communists' activities in Australia, but on reflection, even he will probably appreciate that the country has acted wisely in refusing to give him additional and unrestricted powers to carry out the assignment.

THE KING'S CONDITION: DOCTORS ISSUE A SECOND BULLETIN

Thousands Sing National Anthem Outside Palace

London, Sept. 23.

At 8.15 tonight, just nine hours after the operation was performed on King George VI, this new medical bulletin came out from Buckingham Palace:

"The King's condition continues to be as satisfactory as can be expected."

An earlier medical bulletin said "anxiety must remain for some days" but His Majesty's "immediate post-operative condition is satisfactory."

Eight physicians and surgeons signed the bulletin.

A crowd of 5,000 sang the National Anthem outside Buckingham Palace when a bulletin was posted on the Palace gates announcing that King George had been operated on and that his condition immediately afterwards was "satisfactory."

A lone woman's voice began the first line of "God Save The King" as the throng broke through Police cordons and pressed close to the railings to read the bulletin.

In an instant it was taken up by men, women, and children, and by Servicemen from many foreign countries who had waited throughout the chilly Autumn day for news of the King.

By the Monument to Queen Victoria close to the Palace entrance, two ministers of the Church fell on their knees and bowed their heads in prayer.

Many women fought their way to the bulletin and came back weeping.

Among the first people to reach the railing was a crowd of miners from Wales. An hour earlier they had halted their tourist's bus in a side street nearby and joined the silent crowd.

Their sight-seeing plans forgotten, they watched as foreign diplomats' cars came and went, continually asking "Is there any news yet of His Majesty?".

Before the bulletin was posted, mounted Police had cleared a stretch of pavement before the railings.

But only a few seconds after the bulletin appeared the mounted Police were swept back on to the pavement, their mounts shying in a sea of people.

Foot Police rushed to guard the open gates. They had to link arms to prevent the crowd bursting into the Palace courtyard.

TRAFFIC HELD UP

Traffic in The Mall, tree-lined avenue leading to the Palace, was brought to a standstill. Motorists climbed on to the roofs of their cars and peered towards the stately Royal home.

As the singing reached its height a lone Royal Air Force Vampire jet fighter appeared through a blue patch in the grey sky. It circled the Palace, dived steeply, pulled up almost vertically and executed two "Victory" rolls.

The huge crowd craned their necks and cheered as the plane disappeared again into the clouds.

The bulletin did not identify the disease for which the operation was performed.

Today's operation on the King was his fifth.

Almost the entire Royal Family had come to London during yesterday and today to be at hand, while prayers were said for the King's recovery at Sunday morning services in churches of all denominations.

A London specialist told Reuter that the danger in removal of part of a lung was much less now-a-days than it used to be, due to the use of penicillin, and other life-saving drugs.

Had the operation been announced as a lobectomy, which means the removal of a whole lobe of the lung, it would have had much graver implications, the specialist said.

As it is, he added, the operation on the King was obviously a major operation which would entail cutting away some of the ribs to enable the surgeon to reach the affected part of the lung.

LONG CONVALESCENCE

"This operation calls for considerable skill in the use of anesthetics," the specialist continued. "If successful it is invariably followed by a long period of nursing and convalescence."

"The bulletin suggests that the operation has been successful," the specialist added.

Leading London medical men were agreed tonight that there should be little doubt of the King's recovery from his operation provided there was no untoward setback.

If all went well they said he would be kept to bed for at least six weeks.

It would be several months before he would be able to carry out even light duties.

In an operation of this character one main danger was the shock to the system.

Queen Mary, the King's mother, remained at her home, Marlborough House, where she has been joined by the Princess Royal, the King's sister, and by his younger brother, the Duke of Gloucester who arrived in London this morning after a shooting holiday in Scotland.

The Duchess of Kent, with her son, the young Duke of Kent, arrived at the Palace this afternoon.

SPECIAL PRAYER

In Westminster Abbey, shrine of national figures in the shadow of the Houses of Parliament, a large congregation repeated a special prayer, recited from the pulpit, "that the King now in peril of sickness should be relieved of his pain and that by God's blessing he might be restored in body and mind."

From soon after dawn crowds waited in silent vigil outside Buckingham Palace for news despite intermittent rain. By mid afternoon many of the 3,000 people then waiting were squatting on the kerbside, some who had travelled from the provinces eating sandwiches and sipping tea from flasks.

A sombre note was added to the scene when a party of Guardsmen, wearing grey cloaks, instead of their customary scarlet uniforms because of the rain, marched up to near by St. James's Palace, another of the Royal homes, for the changing of the Guard there.

The windows of the room—the Blue Room on the first floor—in which the operation was carried out were shuttered.

All curtains, carpets and furniture had been removed to transform it into an emergency operating theatre.

Throughout the morning a stream of diplomatic representatives called at the Palace.

SPONTANEOUS GESTURE

Paddington Station, one of London's biggest railway terminals was the scene of a spontaneous demonstration of public sympathy with the King.

When the National Anthem was played at the end of the usual Sunday morning concert given by a railway band, crowds waiting for trains, instead of just standing, to attention as is usual, started to sing the words of the Anthem.

People on platforms close by joined in and for a few moments the bustle of the station was stilled as railway workers and travellers stopped to join in the expression of public concern.

Among the thousands of messages of sympathy sent to the Queen was one from the Federation of Street Traders Unions—London's barrow boys.

The operation on the King started about 10 o'clock today and occupied most of the morning.

When it was over, the doctors waited until well into the afternoon before issuing their bulletin.

They wanted to assure themselves definitely on the King's condition after the operation.

According to normal practice in an operation of this kind, the surgeon approaches the affected area of the lung from the back by removing one or more ribs.

Blood vessels supplying the lung are clamped so that no serious loss of blood takes place.

Then the diseased tissue is cut away.

Sometimes, the main branch to the lung of the windpipe has to be severed during the operation after which it must be carefully sealed by close stitching.

Blood transfusions often take place while the operation is being performed.

Though an extremely delicate operation, it is now-a-days carried out successfully every day by chest surgeons in many countries.

Queen Elizabeth was the first to hear from the doctors news of how the King had withstood the operation.

Princess Elizabeth, heiress to the Throne, was summoned by telephone from Clarence House, her London home with her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh. She drove to Buckingham Palace to hear from the doctors the news about her father.

At the same time news of the result of the operation was telephoned to Queen Mary, the King's mother, and the Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, who flew back to London today from Scotland instead of returning by car as planned.—Associated Press and Reuter.

REPAYMENT DEFERRED

Reading, Sept. 23.

Charles Meade did something a lot of people have thought of doing.

Meade walked into a treasury office to talk with officials about getting repayment on his overpaid income tax. He pointed out that when the ordinary citizen owed the Government money, he jolly well paid it right on time.

Income tax officer, John Thompson said he would look into the matter but could not hand over any money himself.

Meade grabbed the file dealing with his affairs and ran out of the building. Two hours later he came back. Thompson refused to see him until he returned the file. Meade went out and came back in five minutes with the file. They resumed their talk.

Thompson said repayment would be made in instalments.

Meade leaned across the counter, grabbed Thompson by his necktie and hit him between the eyes. Then he picked up the file, tore it to shreds, showered the office with paper and walked out of the building.

He was fined £5 in Reading magistrate's court for assault.—United Press.

Return From Jamboree

The party of Hongkong boy scouts who attended the international jamboree in Austria recently arrived back in the Colony this morning by the RMS Corfu. This group picture, taken by a staff photographer aboard the ship shows (standing) left to right: Ho Shiu-lay, Chan Wing-kai, Chan Tai-wing Assistant Scoutmaster Hon Chi-loy and Lung Tat-shun. Front: Leung Yiu-ko, Yu Pui-kai and Lai Yuk-shu.

Attlee Prepares Manifesto

London, Sept. 23.

The Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, was today preparing for tomorrow's Labour Party Executive meeting called to draft a manifesto for the general election on October 25.

The meeting may prove an embarrassing session both for him and his turbulent Left-wing critic, Mr Aneurin Bevan, observers said.

This will be the Executive's first chance to have a showdown with its four Bevanite members on their new pamphlet attacking the Government's arms policy which was issued almost immediately after the election announcement.

Mr Bevan will be asked how he can reconcile this pamphlet, which has made many Socialists bitterly angry, with the Party unity for which he called in a signed "close the ranks" article in one of today's Labour newspapers.

It has already been pointed out in defence of the Bevanites that the timing of the pamphlet was accidental.

But the Bevanites, however anxious for a united Party front in the election, have not retreated from their position. They claim that the Government's arms policy should be altered, holding that rearmament on the present scale will reduce living standards. —Reuter.

VEHICLES SEIZED

Abadan, Sept. 23.

The Persian Oil Board today claimed the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company's whole transport section here —comprising 2,995 vehicles of all classes.

The company's refinery manager, Mr K. B. Ross, has protested at the seizure and replied that he will withdraw 25 of the British staff of 56.

A Persian official said that the Board would ask the transport manager, Mr A. M. Sargint, to hand over the vehicles within two or three days.

The Persians today also withdrew the resident permit of Mr James Cunningham, a communications superintendent. Mr Cunningham will leave Abadan on Wednesday.—Reuter.

MAGIC WAND TO END COAL SHORTAGE

London, Sept. 23.

British scientists are perfecting machinery which may solve Britain's coal shortage by turning 20 million tons of coal dust into briquettes every year, it was stated today by Dr J. Bronowski, Director of the National Coal Board's Central Research Establishment.

"Modern methods of cutting coal by machines mean a loss of about 10 per cent—or 20 million tons—a year in dust," he said.

"If we can wave a magic wand and turn that into good-sized coal, there will be no talk of shortages at home or for exports. All our problems would be solved.

"That is what we are gradually doing. It may be some years before there is sufficient plant but by scientific coal cleaning, briquetting and carbonisation we can turn so-called inferior dust into a superior product."

It should be possible to devise methods of making briquettes of various grades for different purposes, Dr Bronowski added.

The annual production of the first types of briquettes had already reached one million tons and a "cobble" briquette had been tried out successfully in locomotives.—Reuter.

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Scientist Leads March

Brussels, Sept. 23.

Two thousand women "peace partisans", led by the Belgian nuclear scientist, Professor Max Cosyns, marched through the city today.

There were minor scuffles when members of the public tried to cross the road through their procession. The demonstration was part of Belgium's Communist-sponsored two-day "peace assizes" which Professor Cosyns—who has twice visited the British atomic research centre at Harwell—opened in a Brussels dance hall yesterday.

Bearing placards calling for a "peace pact" between the United States, Britain, France, Russia and the People's Republic of China, the demonstrators took two hours to pass along the central boulevards.

They chanted such slogans as "We Want Peace", "Butter Not Guns," "Schools Not Guns" and "Outlaw the Atom Bomb."—Reuter.

America To Speed Up Military Aid To Indo-China

Washington, Sept. 23.

The United States announced today that considerable improvement would be made in the rate of deliveries of military aid for the French and loyal Indo-Chinese in their battle against the Communists of South-East Asia.

That statement, without details as to the amounts in either dollars or tonnage, was contained in a formal State-Defence Department announcement on the conclusion of talks between American officials and General Jean de Lattre de Tassigny, French High Commissioner and Commander of the French Union forces in Indo-China.

Indications were that Indo-China probably would get the bulk of almost $1,000 million (about £357 million) voted for military and economic aid to Far Eastern countries between now and next July 1.

The French Commander had been conferring with military and diplomatic officials here for more than a week.

The announcement today said that the talks were concluded at the Pentagon (the Defence Department) on Saturday in an atmosphere of cordiality and unity of purpose.

It added: "The participants were in complete agreement that the successful defence of Indo-China is of great importance to the defence of all South-East Asia. United States officials stated that General de Lattre's presentation of the situation in that area has been invaluable to them and has demonstrated that the United States and French policies in the Associated States were not at variance."

The announcement said that General de Lattre has been advised that the question of additional aid for the French and Vietnamese forces in Indo-China in the fiscal year 1952 programme is under study by the United States Government.—Reuter.

GENERAL'S STATEMENT

Washington, Sept. 23.

General Jean de Lattre de Tassigny said today that he could give an absolute assurance to the forces of Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia that the United States would send them greatly increased shipments of equipment quickly.

The General was speaking on a nationwide telecast at the end of his week-long consultations with United States officials. He could make this statement as a result of his conferences with officials here, whom, he added, he found very understanding of the situation.

One of his main reasons for coming here, according to General de Lattre, was to ask for more equipment.

United States officials have said they are prepared to send all the General has asked and priority for such shipments will be almost the same as for Korea. Equipment will be shipped as rapidly as it is available.—United Press.

To Grow More Jute

New Delhi, Sept. 23.

To attain self-sufficiency in jute and cotton, India in 1951-52 will divert 260,000 acres to jute and 1,600,000 acres to cotton, resulting in a food grain loss of 400,000 tons, Food Minister K. M. Munshi announced in Parliament.—Associated Press.

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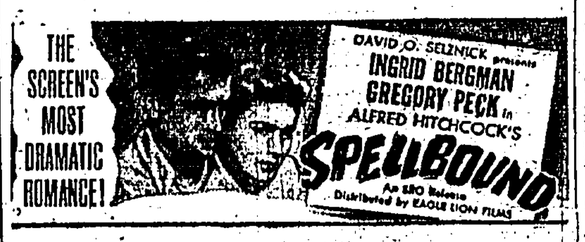

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Evatt Hails Result Of Referendum On Communists

Melbourne, Sept. 23.

Dr Herbert Evatt, the Australian Opposition leader, today hailed Australia's refusal to empower the Government to outlaw the Communist Party as a refusal to write "utterly un-British" provisions in the Constitution.

Dr Evatt, former Minister for External Affairs in the Labour Government, said that, by rejecting the Government plan at yesterday's referendum, Australians had "resisted appeals to emotion and withstood a fierce barrage of fear and hysteria."

"Australia has given a verdict that will hearten all true lovers of liberty throughout the world and that becomes the shining example of vitality and vigour with which democracy can assert itself in an hour of crisis."

The referendum result was more important than half a dozen elections, Dr Evatt said. "The consequences of a mistaken vote in an election can be retrieved, but an error of judgment in this constitutional alteration would tend to destroy the whole democratic fabric of justice and liberty."

From the referendum the Prime Minister, Mr Robert Gordon Menzies, required a majority of voters and of States—four out of the six—to outlaw the Communist Party in Australia.

But when the counting closed last night, the aggregate vote against him was 1,098,000, compared with 1,737,000 in favour of anti-Communist powers. The Government's defeat on the issue was conceded.

A "Yes" majority in Tasmania balanced the State's at three in favour of the Government plan and three against. But there was still a nationwide majority of those opposed to outlawing Communism.

MENZIES' COMMENT

Final figures may not be known for some days.

Mr Menzies, commenting on the result today, feared that the rejection would "encourage the Communists to handicap the Government in the fight against these un-Australian elements.

"Our people, most of whom detest Communism, have voted to refuse legislative power over Communism," he said.

"The Government will vigorously resume the interrupted labours of financial and economic administration and believes that it can reasonably ask the people to contribute a measure of energy to the creative work which our problems call for."

With three-quarters of the votes counted for the whole Dominion, the figures today were:

"No" votes—2,072,703.

"Yes" votes—1,959,377.—Reuter.

Union Asks Anti-Red Campaign

San Francisco, Sept. 23.

The American Federation of Labour today called for an aggressive worldwide campaign against Communism, and said that only through strength can the Democracies remain free.

The International Labour Relations Committee of the 8,000,000-member union released reports which are expected to be adopted on Monday by delegates to the annual convention.

The Committee laid down this proposal:

1. The United States should lead the Democracies in signing a treaty with West Germany, guaranteeing its unconditional sovereignty and complete national independence.

2. With or without Russia the Allies should sign a peace treaty with Austria.

3. Britain, France, Yugoslavia and the United States, regardless of the Russian opposition, should revise the present Italian peace treaty which the Union described as an injustice to the Italian people. Italy should be taken into the Atlantic Alliance.

4. Greece and Turkey should immediately be accorded membership in the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation.

5. The United States should issue an appeal to governments of the Middle East to sign a security and prosperity pact. Iran should be included and the treaty should "eliminate every vestige of colonialism and special privileges for foreigners in this vital area."

6. Truce negotiations should be resumed in Korea, but only if the conference is transferred to a "truly neutral area."—United Press.

New Delhi's Riposte To Pakistan

New Delhi, Sept. 23.

Official Indian circles today described as "palpably false" recent reports in the Pakistan Press of alleged harassment of Moslems in India.

They said that the Pakistan Press campaign was "window dressing" for the forthcoming Security Council meeting which would discuss Dr Frank Graham's report on the Kashmir dispute.

According to these circles, the campaign, which started two weeks ago "as if at a signal," made two main charges against India:

Firstly, that Moslems were being forced to leave India, and

Secondly, that the culture and religion of Indian Moslems were in jeopardy.

Allegations made to bolster up these charges had been investigated and found to be without foundation, these circles said.

They, however, expressed fear that the campaign might start another wave of minority rioting in Pakistan, particularly in East Bengal, and swell the present rate of flow of refugees into a flood.—Reuter.

India Not Neutral

Ottawa, Sept. 23.

A statement that the Government of India's policy in international affairs was pro-United Nations, pro-free nations was issued here by the Indian High Commissioner, Mr R. R. Saksena.

The statement was similar to that issued by Mrs Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit in Washington except that it made special references to India's relations to Canada.

Mr Saksena said that India was determined to pursue the ideal of a democratic and secular State relentlessly.

"India is a firm supporter of the United Nations," Mr Saksena said. "The disagreement of India with the Western democracies is frequently emphasised. This promotes misunderstanding."

India was not neutral, he said. "She is opposed to every form of imperialism, political or economic, every form of totalitarianism, colonialism or Communist aggression."—Reuter.

Peking Charge Against Pakistan Govt.

London, Sept. 23.

Four Chinese Communist organisations have protested against the "persecution of peace fighters by the Pakistan Government," the New China News Agency reported from Peking today.

The organisations had demanded the unconditional release of Pakistani writers, journalists and "other peace fighters" arrested since last March, the agency said.

It said that among those held were Syed Sejjad Zaheer, General Secretary of the Communist Party of Pakistan.

The agency also said that the Pakistan Government tried "peace fighters" secretly on June 15, when the death sentence was demanded. The accused were deprived of the right of appeal and newspapers were forbidden to print news of the trial, the agency said.—Reuter.

Blast-Proof Vaults For Film Records

Ottawa, Sept. 22.

Two Canadian Government departments are experimenting with blast-proof vaults to store highly explosive films and micro-filmed Government records.

The research was undertaken by the Department of Public Works and the National Research Council as a result of the growing use of film in Government records, and urgent requirements of the National Film Board.

The two departments hope to build a vault which will reduce the danger of film explosions. The interior of the vault also will be constructed so that a minimum amount of damage will result from an explosion.

The need for specially constructed storage vaults arose when the National Film Board decided that its present storage facilities were inadequate. The board said its film records were of a highly inflammable and explosive character, and should be stored in a special type of vault.—United Press.

Memorial To Sub. Crew

Cherbourg, Sept. 23.

General Charles de Gaulle today unveiled a monument here to the 128 French officers and ratings and one British officer who lost their lives in the sinking of the submarine Surcouf before the war.

Commander Saunders and sailors from the destroyer Zodiac represented the Royal Navy at the ceremony, which was attended by Admiral Philippe Auboyneau, former Free French naval chief in the Pacific, and Commander Thierry d'Argenlieu, former Free French Commissioner in the Pacific.

The Surcouf rank in a collision with an American cargo vessel.—Reuter.

ANIMALS' BLOOD FOR HUMAN PATIENTS

Tokyo, Sept. 23.

The newspaper Yomiuri reports that a Japanese physician has successfully transfused treated animal blood into the veins of more than 600 human patients.

Dr Kunio Kawaishi of Hiroshima University Medical School told a meeting of epidemics researchers in Tokyo that he has used the blood of cows, horses and pigs to give transfusions to humans—without any serious after-effects.

The doctor processes the animal blood with small amounts of formalin and caustic soda and also heats it.

In one case, he said, he gave a patient 3,800 cubic centimetres of animal blood over a five-day period without any bad after-effects.

In continued transfusion, some of the patients broke out in a rash, the physician noted.

Dr Kawaishi was quoted by the newspaper as saying that even in cases where persons had lost a large amount of blood, he could spot no difference in results in the use of animal blood transfusion as compared with transfusions of human blood.—Associated Press.

Rebel Reds Make Gains

Rome, Sept. 23.

Leaders of Italy's rebel Communist movement reported today that they had withstood Communist "suffocation tactics" so successfully that many members now felt that they were strong enough to enter the political arena as a party.

Organisers from each of Italy's 19 regions met privately here for the movement's first round-table congress. Presiding were Aldo Cucchi and Valdo Magnani, two Deputies who broke from the Communist Party last January and set up the anti-Cominform "Italian Workers' Movement."

A spokesman for the Movement told Reuter afterwards that he was unable to disclose actual membership figures but they were considerable and growing.

Congress sources said that delegate after delegate reported the failure of the 2,500,000-strong Italian Communist Party to suffocate the rebellion in its ranks.

They said that "brutal intimidation" of sympathisers by Communist strong arm squads had now been supplanted by a party policy of ostentatiously ignoring the movement.—Reuter.

Spain Admitted To Committee

Naples, Sept. 23.

Spain has been made a member of the International Maritime Committee, and Yugoslavia is to be admitted soon, Professor Albert J. Lilar of Brussels, Committee President, announced today at the opening of the 16-nation International Maritime Law Convention here.—Associated Press.

Mary Martin, 36-year-old American stage star, who is to play in the Broadway hit "South Pacific" in London, shown arriving at Drury Lane.—Central Press Photo.

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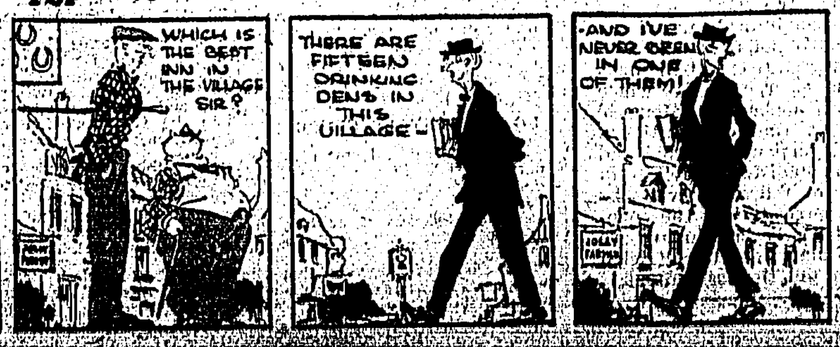

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FORMER ENEMIES DRAWN INTO DEFENCE SYSTEM

London, Sept. 23.

Both Japan and Western Germany will attain a state of partial peace, peace with the Western world, and accompanying freedom from restraint some time early in 1952 if present plans are fulfilled.

Although the technique of making peace and removing post-surrender restraints has been rather different in the two countries, the process is essentially the same.

Since Germany is partitioned, the Western powers, in relation with the West German Federal Government at Bonn, have considered it technically impossible to conclude a peace treaty. A state of peace between Western Germany and the West has been brought about by a series of declarations legally terminating the state of war.

To bring about more than a purely legal change in the status of Western Germany, the Western powers are now still working on the more complicated enactments which will end the Occupation regime and provide treaty cover for the stationing of Allied troops on ex-enemy soil, made necessary by the defence strategy of the post-war era.

In the case of Japan, the technique was simpler since there was only one Japanese Government to be recognised as sovereign under the new regime of peace.

The Western powers have been able to conclude a normal style peace treaty with Japan, accompanied by the signature of a bilateral security pact between Japan and the United States.

Yet this settlement for Japan is only a partial peace settlement because it does not end the state of war between Japan and the Communist governments of the world, including China, or between Japan and the two important Asian powers, India and Burma.

The difference in the peace-making technique which the West has been able to apply to Western Germany and Japan has meant that Western Germany was technically at peace before Japan but that in the Japanese settlement the whole transition from war to peace could be achieved in a single operation at San Francisco.

INTEGRAL PART

With the coming into force in the next few months of the Japanese treaty, Japan has fully abandoned its ex-enemy status and has moved to be an integral part of the present non-Communist security system in the Pacific.

A similar transition will be effected in Western Germany in about the same period.

Under United States leadership, the Western Occupational powers are now committed to a drive to wind up the Occupation regime as far as is compatible with the absence of a full peace treaty and integrate the Bonn Government into the NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organisation) defence system in Europe following the Big Three Western Foreign Ministerial Council of NATO.

The result of the partial peace settlements concluded this year with Western Germany and Japan will be to draw each country respectively into a positive relationship with the Atlantic and Pacific security systems based on Washington.

This will be the case even should the West German Government finally decide not to make a contribution to the European Army forces organised under NATO.

For whether or not German soldiers are recruited to serve with the European Army, British, French and United States troops will be stationed on German soil.

GERMAN TROOPS

In fact, there is now good reason to believe that the powers concerned will reach agreement on an army structure, working equality and size of units, which will make it possible for German units to be raised by next year.

The inclusion of German units in the NATO forces has proved as controversial a subject within Germany as it has proved among the Allied nations of the West.

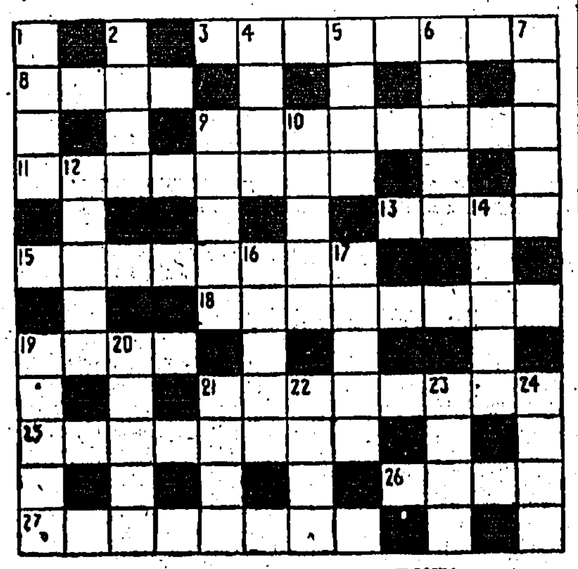
Even if the West German Government subscribed to an arrangement by which German troops are again under arms, opposition to rearmament will continue to exist in Western Germany.

The notion that security lies in rearmament and the conclusion of tight defence pacts, which has been regretfully adopted by the Commonwealth and NATO countries at the expense of rising living standards, has not yet gained general support in Western Germany.

But the painful reality for Western Germany, and for Japan, as both countries emerge from defeat into partnership with their conquerors, is that their territories lie in the most exposed position on the fringe of the anti-Communist world.

In this geographical position, the possibility of neutrality in any future world war can be ruled out and it is on the assumption that neutrality is not practical politics that Western Germany and the Western Occupation powers are now working on plans for German rearmament.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

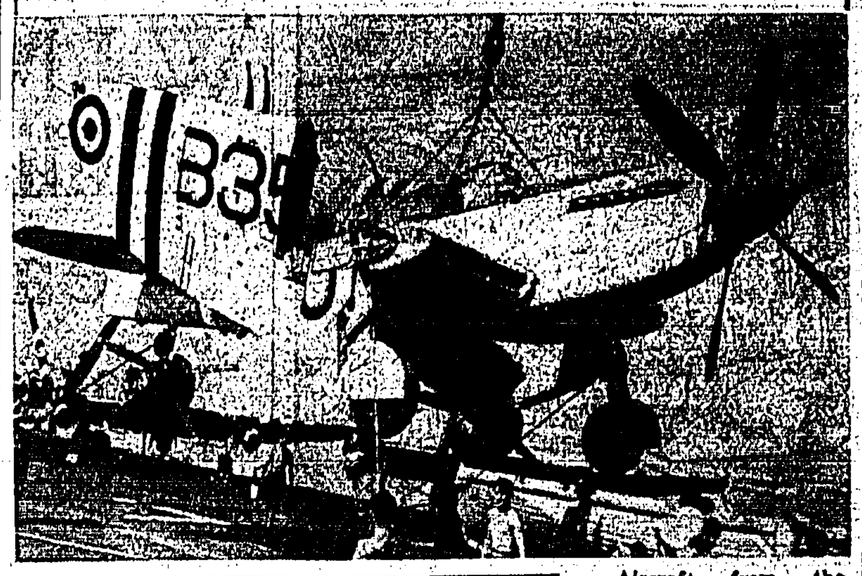
3 Get near to (6).
8 Bound (4).
9 Renovates (8).
11 French policeman (6).
13 Lazily (4).
15 Wealth (8).
16 Fascinate (8).
19 Stringed instrument (4).
21 Flowers (8).
25 Entire (8).
26 Bucket (4).
27 In the intervening period (8).

DOWN

1 Banner (4).
2 Profit (4).
4 Column (4).
5 Scold (4).
6 Pungent (5).
7 Incautious (5).
9 Lift (5).
10 Chic (5).
12 Before time (5).
14 In the neighbourhood (5).
16 Relative (5).
17 Eat away (5).
10 Deputy (5).
20 Dance (5).
21 Satiate (4).
22 Particle (4).
23 Spoken (4).
24 Misfortunes (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Secret, 4 Tests, 7 Anecdote, 8 Moves, 9 Parrot, 11 Essayed, 13 Sincere, 15 Riddle, 16 Flair, 19 Evacuate, 20 Rasps, 21 Tithes. Down: 1 Sharp, 2 Recur, 3 Trotter, 4 Themes, 5 Surveyed, 6 Penned, 10 Rahsacks, 12 Servant, 13 Suffer, 14 Egress, 16 Doubt, 17 Eyes.

British Naval Aircraft In Action In Korea



Aircraft from the carrier HMS Glory are in action in Korea almost every day and scarcely one of the planes has not been damaged by enemy flak. Photo shows a Firefly being embarked on board at Iwakuni, in southern Japan.—London Express Service.

Norway To Build Up Her Army Reserves

Washington, Sept. 23.

The Norwegian Defence Minister, Mr Jen Christian Hauge, told the United Press today: "We intend to build up as soon as possible our regular army officer and non-commissioned officer cadres as well as military specialists for units to be mobilised in case of emergency."

Mr Hauge arrived at noon by plane from Canada, where he had attended the Ottawa meeting of the Atlantic Pact Council. He said: "This is what we call expanding the quality of our armed forces, because not only must we have enough officers, non-commissioned officers and specialists for our active forces, but equally for reserve units.

"Increased regular Army cadres are needed to train conscripts who are called up each year for national service and also units to be mobilised immediately to complement the armed forces in case of emergency," he explained. "For a hundred years we have had national army service but we never had sufficient cadres for reserves. That has to be remedied as soon as possible and the Norwegian defence forces intend to see this is done."

The Norwegian Foreign Minister, Mr Halvard Lange, had told the United Press in Ottawa that Norway intended to increase the quality of its armed forces.

United States officials in Ottawa had intimated that General Dwight Eisenhower's secret progress report on the Atlantic Pact Organisation had urged especially the necessity of having enough regular army cadres for reserves so they could be properly trained and brought to full strength. These officials understood that General Eisenhower regarded this as the chief weakness at present of the NATO forces in Europe and felt steps should be taken to remedy this in the next few months.

GREATER ARMS FLOW

One reason for doing so, it is said, is the greater flow of arms expected from the United States and European arms factories in the months just ahead, which should be adequate to equip some reserves.

The Eisenhower report was understood to have been made available through the standing group at the Atlantic Council meeting in Ottawa, but this was never officially confirmed. In fact, the French Finance Minister, M. Rene Mayer, at a Press conference of the French delegation, there said he had neither seen nor heard of the report.

Mr Hauge also told the United Press that while in Canada he visited the Air Force training centre at Centralia in Ontario. He said:

"There Canadian and NATO airmen, including Norwegians, are receiving the most modern training. I was deeply impressed with the high standard of efficiency maintained there. I was also able to inspect the Canadian 27th Infantry Brigade that is going shortly to Western Germany to be garrison troops in defence of Western Europe. I was certainly impressed with the fact that these troops are ready and able to give a good account of themselves. I inspected them at the Val Cartier Camp in Quebec.

"I visited Little Norway in Ontario, where thousands of Norwegians trained in World War II. That brought back old and proud memories. This camp has not been reactivated and I believe there are no plans at present to do so. I also visited Camp Borden to inspect installations there."

NORTHERN DEFENCE

Mr Hauge expects to visit the Atlantic Pact standing group at the United States Defence Department early on Monday.

"I attach considerable importance to my meeting with them," he added.

Other officials said it was not yet certain whether General Omar Bradley or his deputy, Admiral Jerauld Wright, would be at this meeting. Air Marshal Sir William Elliott of Britain and General Paul Ely of France, who represent their respective countries in the group, will attend.

Officials understood that Mr Hauge was likely to discuss with the standing group the whole problem of Northern European defence and how it is allied to the defence of the rest of Europe.

General Ole Berg, chairman of the Norwegian Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Rear-Admiral H. E. Jacobsen, chief of the Norwegian military mission in Washington, accompanied Mr Hauge here. The party flew from Montreal and were met by the Ambassador, Mr William Morgenstierne, and the entire Norwegian military mission here, as well as by liaison officers from the United States Defence Department.

ECONOMIC TALKS

General Berg caught a chill in Canada and had to be treated by a doctor in Montreal on Saturday. Another Norwegian sufferer is the Foreign Minister, Mr Lange, who apparently caught his chill because of the difference in climate between Ottawa and Washington. He was said to have remained in bed yesterday and is resting today. He expects to be fully fit to see some old friends and confer with Mr W. Averell Harriman, President Truman's special foreign affairs adviser.

Mr Morgenstierne expects to give a dinner on Monday for Mr Lange and Mr Hauge at the Embassy. Then they plan to take the overnight train to New York as the Ministers probably will fly to Norway on Tuesday.

Mr Morgenstierne and the Norwegian Trade Minister, Mr Erik Brofoss, will open Norway House in New York this week and then probably come here on Thursday for Mr Brofoss to see high financial and economic officials.

The Defence Department intends to arrange visits by General Berg to United States military installations and to visit Kiesler Airfield, near Biloxi, Mississippi, to see Norwegian pilots in training. He will also visit General Mark Clark, commanding the U.S. ground forces at Fort Munro, Virginia, the Armoured School at Fort Knox, Kentucky, and Fort Dix, New Jersey, to see how recruits are trained there.—United Press.

Arms Policy Will Go On

New York, Sept. 23.

Britain's chief barrister predicts that the forthcoming British election will have no effect on its rearmament programme.

"We shall go on with rearmament. There will be no change in policy, no matter who gets in," said Sir Godfrey Russell Vick, Chairman of the Council of the Bar of England.

Sir Godfrey, in this country to address the American Bar Association Convention, flew home last night.—Associated Press.

GASPERI'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON

Washington, Sept. 23.

President Truman and other officials were prepared today to welcome the Italian Premier, Alcide De Gasperi, on Monday for one of the most cordial and intensive three-day visits ever accorded to a foreign government leader.

Premier De Gasperi will be received as the honoured chief executive of an Allied nation in the Atlantic pact, and the chief subject of consultation with him is expected to be how the two nations can work even closer in security matters through a revision of the peace treaty which at present restricts Italy's armed forces.

President Truman will show the full extent of cordiality for Mr De Gasperi and the Italian people by going in person to the railway station to welcome the Premier at 8.50 a.m. EDT.

This is a gesture usually reserved only for sovereigns and titular heads of States.

Mr De Gasperi will be accorded two of the greatest public forums available to any man in the United States to explain Italy's needs and desires during his visit.

The first of these will come only a few hours after his arrival, when he is scheduled to go before a joint session of Congress to make a speech.—United Press.

Queen Of Iran Going To Europe

Teheran, Sept. 23.

Queen Soraya of Persia will fly to Switzerland this week for medical treatment, a Court official said tonight.

Queen Soraya will accompany Princess Chahnaz, 11-year-old daughter born to the Shah's previous wife, Fawzia, who is returning to a boarding school.

The Court official denied that Queen Soraya's departure has any connection with Persia's political crisis. The Queen had been in uncertain health and losing weight for some time and needed medical examination.

Princess Ashraf, the Shah's twin sister, left on Saturday by air for Switzerland. The reason given for the trip was that her young son, Prince Shahryar, needs medical treatment. She was also accompanied by her husband, Egyptian-born Ahmed Chafik, Director of Civil Aviation.

It is believed that Queen Soraya and Princess Chahnaz will leave on Tuesday.

The court official said the Shah's second sister, Princess Shamps, planned to remain in Persia.—Associated Press.

Tic-Tac-Toe Test Failed

Bath, Sept. 23.

Charges of drunkenness against George T. Franklin, 40, were dismissed here because he beat an examining doctor in a game of tic-tac-toe designed as a sobriety test.

The doctor told the court he considered Franklin drunk and confused.

Why did I beat you at tic-tac-toe then?" Franklin asked.

"Because you started first," the doctor replied. — United Press.

Fostering Friendship With U.S.

London, Sept. 23.

Associations from 12 European nations, meeting here this week-end to strengthen relations with the United States, have formed a Congress of European-American Associations.

Among the countries represented by the 16 groups are Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Holland, Italy and Switzerland.

Though the conference was held at the headquarters of the English - Speaking Union, no British association has yet joined the Congress.

But the English-Speaking Union is expected to join the Congress later this year and its delegate has already been offered a vice-presidency.

The first President of the Congress is a Finnish banker, Mr Hans F. Neilsen, who said after the first session:

"Until now the member associations have been working alone. The Congress will give them an opportunity to co-ordinate their work in fostering friendship with the United States." — Reuter.

Zeiss Chief Dead

Berlin, Sept. 23.

The Soviet news agency ADN reported today the death of Dr Johannes Harting, head of the Scientific Department of the Zeiss Optical and Camera Works at Jena. Dr Harting was 83.—Associated Press.

Former Cochran Young Ladies, Josie Mathews, Florence Desmond and Anna Neagle, look at the bust of Charles B. Cochran that was unveiled in the Adelphi Theatre foyer as a tribute to the great showman.—Central Press Photo.

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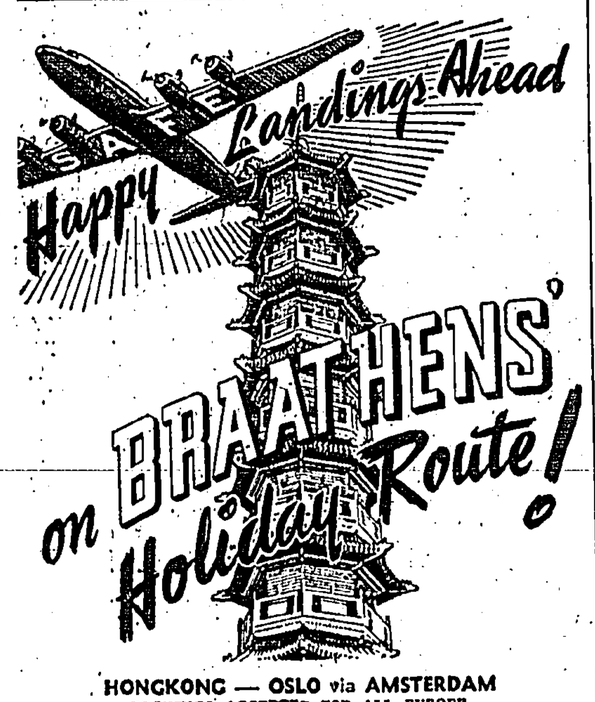

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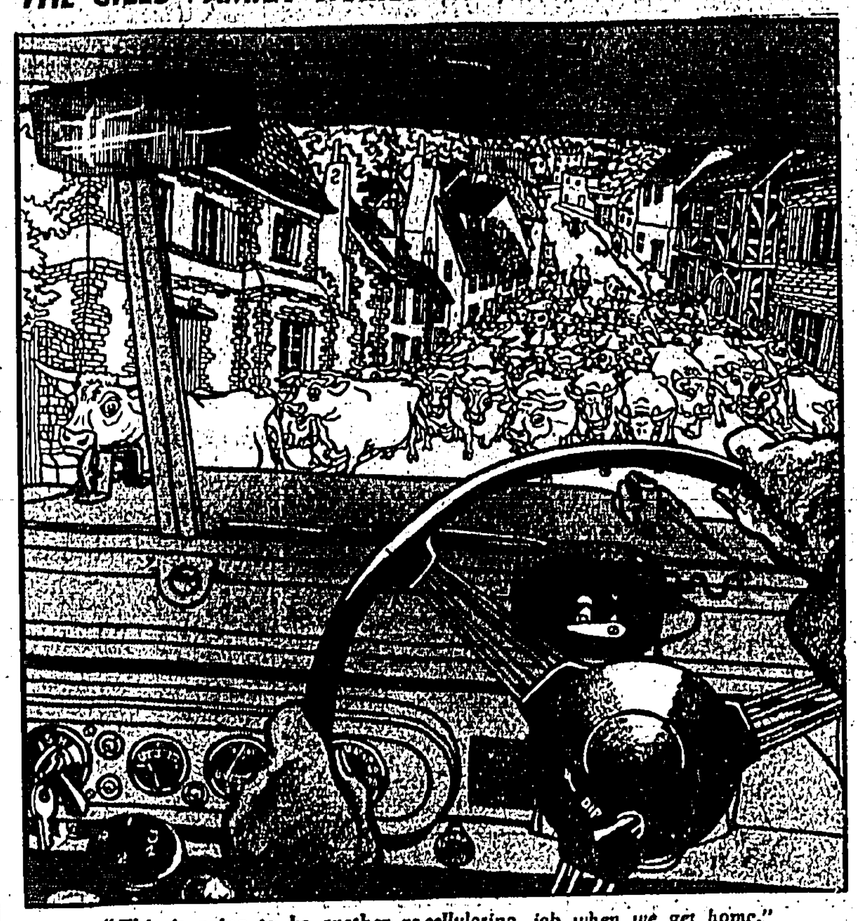

"This is going to be another re-cellulosing job when we get home."

—(London Express Service)

Franco's prisoner-on-holiday tells his story

WINE for the millionaire, black bread for ME

by . . . .

MERVYN LUBBOCK
of Streatham

MERVYN LUBBOCK
With Spanish gourd (flask) as a memory.

MY holiday began with hopes of sunshine, perhaps adventure, a return ticket third class to Barcelona, and £16.

It ended with 31 days in gaol and my father having to bail me out for £50.

In Palamos I was arrested with my three friends and taken to gaol. We were accused of insulting Franco.

IT WAS just after midnight, when an officer and two men of the Civil Guard marched us away from the cafe where we had been drinking.

Our first cell was in a big grey building which looked like a block of flats. In the few seconds before the light was switched off I saw a filthy mattress on the floor and two pairs of old boots in a heap of rags.

When the door was locked I struck a match and saw black beetles crawling up the walls and flies on the stone floor.

I discovered that our cell in winter was the home of the local dog-catcher, a tramp who pays rent for it.

In the summer he finds it more comfortable to sleep on the beach.

Next morning we were taken to the police station and heard two witnesses say we had insulted Franco. We all denied this.

In the afternoon, we were back in gaol. A protest about the cell brought permission to stay in the corridor, where the flies were less numerous.

During that evening two Spaniards brought us food, and the gaoler sold us a small loaf for 2s. 6d.

The following evening we were packed into a small van with six other men and driven to Gerona gaol. Guards removed our handcuffs and we walked into a large cell where 30 prisoners were already lying on the floor.

Lights On

WE kept the lights on all night, and one of the prisoners shuffled round and round the cell to prevent stealing.

We had eaten nothing for 24 hours, but we could not touch the breakfast of luke-warm onion soup.

I tried to get a wash, but there was no water, and no soap.

Food was served on a greasy tin plate. There were no knives, forks or spoons.

Lunch was a plate of watery potato soup, supper the same, or with beans or lentils. All I could eat was the daily issue of a quarter of a pound of black bread.

Each day there were eight roll calls. We stood to attention for 15 minutes while the cabo — chief convict — counted us.

TWO days after we arrived at Gerona my three friends were released. I was promised release the following day. It came 27 days later.

Practically every day, after our lunch of watery soup, a convict walked by, carrying a salver on which was a roasting fowl or joint of meat.

These, and many other luxuries, were taken in to a millionaire and his friends who were in gaol for theft.

These three lived in a small room off the main cell. They drank wine with every meal, usually of five courses, and then relaxed with brandy and coffee.

While we munched dry bread, baskets of fruit were carried in to the "privileged" prisoners.

At the hour of siesta, when all other prisoners were made to lie silent, we could hear the chinking of brandy glasses and coffee cups and smell good cigars.

Twice a week the prison barber visited the cell. He charged us two pesetas (5d.) for a good shave, one peseta for a poor one.

Many of the prisoners were in rags. Only occasionally was an issue made of a black boiler suit decorated with multi-coloured patches. No shoes were available, and many prisoners went barefoot.

In the cell with me were four lunatics and several petty thieves. One of them, a pick-pocket, was personal servant to the millionaire.

After 20 days I was allowed to walk round the sand-covered prison yard with 80 other men.

I found that one was serving 99 years for murder, another 25 years for armed hold-ups.

No Doctor

I never saw a doctor in the prison, although on one occasion, on compulsory church parade, a man collapsed with a haemorrhage.

He was put back in the cell and I gave him a piece of bread. He was not visited by anyone in authority.

One day the 165 prisoners in the gaol were inoculated. I did not know why, and the convict who gave the inoculations (all with the same needle) did not know either.

During the day we sometimes played games like blind man's buff. I tried to teach them noughts and crosses, but many of them could not write.

I was allowed two books a week, but the only one I could find in English was Chambers Journal.

Once a week I was given 25 pesetas of my own money, which I spent on extra bread and chocolate.

I finished my sentence with £4 of my holiday money.

I shall be on holiday again next year. But in England.

THE BIG BID TO BEAT OLD AGE

CHAPMAN PINCHER reports from St Louis—where the blues came from—on 1951's strangest conference, attended by 800 scientists

ST. LOUIS.

NEARLY 800 scientists and doctors dedicated to the exciting task of stretching the human life span so that, barring accidents, everyone should still be hale at 100, have got down to work here.

From laboratories and hospitals of 43 countries they have converged on this sweltering Mississippi town —the setting of the famed Negro blues song—to report their findings.

Big news broke within the first hour of argument—the announcement by Germany's Professor Otto Vogt of the first hard scientific evidence that idleness in the twilight years is really a killer.

ON MOVE

AFTER a fine-focus study of an aging human brain, Vogt claims that continued activity definitely staves off nerve-cell changes responsible for the steady deterioration of mental powers.

In the brain cells of 90-year-olds who had been determined to keep on the move the aging process has been considerably delayed.

But Vogt has seen no person in whom overwork, either mental or physical, has speeded up the aging of the human nervous system.

This finding underlines the immediate object of lengthening the life span—to add life to years as well as years to life, so that the fast-increasing oldster population can pull its weight in the community.

It formulates the first rule for people past middle age who want to reach a nimble ninety—KEEP OUT OF THAT ARM-CHAIR.

Too many retired men are taking painful care of themselves, because they believe they will shorten their lives by taxing their strength.

Yet one of the likeliest reasons why their wives generally outlives them may be the fact that most women go on working—cooking, cleaning, mending—until they drop.

GRADUAL

BUT doctors here warn that nobody should ignore the ravages of the years. In this warning they frame Back to Methuselah Rule No. 2—Plan Well Ahead for Longer Life.

To soften the mental and physical shock of the sudden stopping of work, experts there are recommending employers to adopt this gradual retirement plan—put workers on a four-day week at 55, a three-day week at 60, and so on, knocking off a day every five years, so they can still do one full day's work between 70 and 75.

Aging men should work a longer day, nine or even ten hours, doctors urge, so they can take a job more slowly.

Their tests show that, if workers are allowed to let up on speed, skill suffers little from advancing age.

Of course, individuals of the same age will always differ in strength and capabilities, and one of the problems facing the experts here is to devise some way of assessing the real age of a person's body.

As a starting point, the "physiological age"—the figure based on blood pressure, strength of handgrip, eyesight, and hearing—is to be discussed.

Fuller precautions for achieving longer life will crystallise as further findings are unfolded.

But facts in support of a clear-cut third rule — Watch Your Diet—are already piling up.

SIX POINTS

PEOPLE over 30 treble their chances of reaching 70 if they stay slim.

Even middle-aged folk who are not putting on weight should cut down their diet, for United States doctors have found that aging muscle is gradually replaced by adipose tissue. So elderly people can put on heart-burdening fat without noticing it.

After tests as detailed as checking the effects of cereals versus bacon and egg for breakfast on blood-sugar strength, doctors here urge the over-55's to use this six-point diet plan:—

1. **CUT DOWN** on carbohydrates—bread, potatoes, sugar —because you need less energy as you get older.

If you go on eating just as much as kept you slim at 35 you will be over-fat at 60.

2. **RATION YOURSELF** on all proteins—fish and eggs, as well as meat.

You need less as you cease to put on muscle and excess protein can strain aging kidneys.

3. **GO EASY** with fats and fried foods.

There is strong evidence they contain a substance which damages arteries, bringing on a type of heart attack called coronary thrombosis.

4. **DRINK** more water.

5. **EAT** lots of fruit, watercress, and vegetables containing vitamin C, which it is believed neutralises waste chemicals damaging to body tissues.

6. **TAKE** vitamin B tablets regularly. Extra supplies of one type of B vitamin called Thiamine seem to stave off such unpleasant senile symptoms as muscle tenderness and numbness.

FOR JOINTS

YET another B vitamin called Niacin keeps joints supple, according to Connecticut's Dr William Kaufman, who tested it on 500 men and women.

Kaufman claims the vitamin will loosen joints already stiffened by age. The drug Cortisone likewise seems to be a rejuvenator.

But doctors are putting their biggest efforts into staving off the symptoms of old age rather than trying to turn back the clock.

While investigating the heart action of old people, Britain's ingenious Dr Oscar Olbrich has accidentally discovered that hundreds of patients must have been diagnosed as having weak hearts when they were perfectly healthy.

Many doctors base diagnosis of heart trouble on recordings made by an electrical machine. Olbrich now found that when the heart is slightly displaced it may give the same sort of recording as a defective heart, though as sound as ever.

And because of gradual changes in the shape of an aging spine, the heart usually is pushed out of place to some extent in old people.

By deliberately putting a healthy man in a sitting position which displaces the heart, Olbrich has been able to produce all the symptoms of a weak heart on a recording machine.

The part played by heredity in determining how long you will live is being investigated by Finland's Eva Jalavisto.

It matters more if your mother comes from long-lived stock than your father, she says.

The age of your father when you were born does not affect your life span. But the age of your mother does.

If your mother was in her 20s at your birth the chances are you will live longer than if she had been in the 40s.

MORE YEARS

THERE are many eminent men here who believe the medical advances already in use have lengthened the time we stay young as well as giving us longer life.

"A 60-year-old man or woman today looks, feels and acts much younger than a 60-year-old of 1900," says Philadelphia's Dr E. L. Bortz.

A more thorough combined attack is being launched at this conference. Doctors hope that the conquest of age will be so speeded up that a further 15 years' leap in the life span may be possible in this generation.

—(London Express Service)

ARTIE SHAW, HIS WIVES— AND HIS LIFE-WORK

By EVE PERRICK

THE Man I've Most Wanted to Meet arrived in London the other night. From the American boat-train at Paddington he stepped — an ordinary-enough looking guy, tallish, darkish and rather handsome, 41 years old, and answering to the name of Artie Shaw.

There was just one question I wanted to ask. "How's it done?"

"You mean becoming a musical genius?" he answered. "Well, it's the old formula: stick around geniuses for a while and soon you become one."

I didn't mean that.

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"No, I was afraid you didn't, I suppose you're inquiring about the six wives? Well, I guess the same thing applies—study a man who has had six wives and you soon get the hang of it."

I pointed out that no man before him had married Lana Turner, Ava Gardner and Kathleen Winsor—to pick a humble trio from the roster.

"Well there it is" said Artie Shaw. "If a man has a crazy past everyone figures he'll be crazy all his life.

"But if you really want to know how I managed to marry six glamour girls suppose we change the subject. Let's talk about something else and see if you can find out.

"What will it be—communism, deforestation, the depopulation trend in the world today?"

No. We settled for Mr Shaw's pet subject—the book he has just finished writing.

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It is called, "The Trouble with Cinderella," and the four black-bound volumes of manuscript are more important items in the erstwhile King of Swing's luggage than the three clarinets he refers to as his children.

What's the book about? "If I didn't want to sound pretentious I'd say it was a piece of personal philosophy.

"When I was 19 I wanted to be a writer. Somehow I got caught up in the old game of making a lot of money. I was probably more articulate on a clarinet, anyway.

"Now I've given that up. I still play, of course.

"Believe it or not, I have the other human failing, too. I like to eat."

Artie Shaw's other main interest is his 240-acre dairy farm 100 miles from New York. "I took an agricultural course to learn how to handle my 120 head of cattle."

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"Unfortunately there is no set formula for marriage."

Perhaps the answer to my unasked question—why six marriages, six divorces, and the same number of threatened retirements from show business—is in the dedication of the new Artie Shaw presentation:—

"I dedicate this book to all such malcontents and villains and maladjustments as Beethoven, Van Gogh, Galileo, Dostoievsky, Baudelaire and those countless others who have in their own time on earth suffered bitter anguish and loneliness and never-helens created for themselves and the world a meaningful life's work with their endless labour."

For this is the story of how I have at last arrived at my own dim intimation of what such men as these have had to undergo, and overcome, in their own struggles to become not only men—but Man.

"I'm up! I'm up! Call 'em off!"

• BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

AT a recent conference of schoolteachers it was revealed that in many schools the reek of a Lucullan repast disturbs the young scholars and their masters. Meals are apparently served even in classrooms.

If this is so, I hope the Narkover custom is followed of filling the inkpots with a sound red wine. One headmaster at this conference told of a strange woman who walked in and took away children's dinners to be "weighed for vitamin content." The more sophisticated children, I believe, arrive for lunch, criticise the food, and then go away to the films. And always, always that stink of cabbage, the signature smell of English *basse cuisine*.

Is Charlie Suet right?

CHARLIE SUET points out that my recent note on overall multiple circular mutualism may have given the impression that it cuts out multilateral reciprocal byput. That was not my intention. I realise that the double exchange—to and fro—of target goods earmarked for re-export only becomes by-mutual (or even tri-mutual) if the stockpiling admits of a certain degree of backput of priority goods. The only real point of conflict between Suet and the circular-mutualist school is that, while they believe that by a control of throughput the basic priorities would find their own level, Suet says that by freeing basic priorities from this control, a wider target-scope would result in increased downput in all goods subject to overall mutualism.

Pitt-Foulenough

THE tourist approached the ancient man in the cottage arm-chair. "And are you really a descendant," he asked, "of the great William Pitt, who lived here?"

"'E were moi girt-girt-gran-feyther," replied Foulenough in a quavering voice, from behind a massive nineteen-and-fourpenny beard.

In passing

IT has often occurred to me that if I were one of those people who believe gambling to be wrong, I should be far more angry about the Stock Exchange than about a man who tries to sell raffle tickets to help the old and destitute.

STANDARD BRIDGE

by M. Harrison-Gray.

Dealer: South
East-West game

N.
♠ Q 10 6 3
♥ 9
♦ K 9 4
♣ K J 8 7 2.

W. E.
♠ K Q 9 8 3 ♠ A 7 5 2
♥ J 7 6 3 2 ♥ 5 4
♦ 6 5 4 ♦ Q 10 5
♣ 6 5 4 ♣ Q 10 9 3

S.
♠ K J 9 8 4
♥ A J 10 7 2
♦ A 8.
♣ A

The shortest route was best on this hand from match play when South's One Spade was raised to Three. The first South player jumped to Five Hearts, a pointless call since he was unlikely to find a better trump suit. North signed off in Five Spades, but South carried on to Six. West led ♠ 3 and South started ruffing Hearts in Dummy. On the third round East over-ruffed ♠ 6 with ♠ 7 and led two rounds of trumps. South losing a Heart trick at the end.

In Room 2 South bid Six Spades over North's jump raise, with the result that his task was made easier by West's lead of ♥ K. South won and returned ♥ J, covered by West and ruffed with ♠ 3. The next Heart could then be ruffed with ♠ 10.

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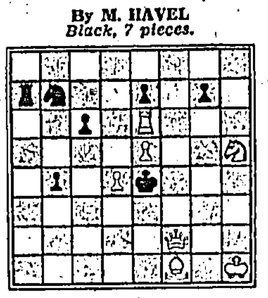
DUMB-BELLS

CHESS PROBLEM

By M. HAVEL
Black, 7 pieces.



White, 7 pieces.
White to play: mate in three.

Solution to Saturday's problem:

1, R—R5, any; 2, Q, R, B, or Kt (ch or dbl ch) mates.

Check Your Knowledge

1. In what ocean is the monsoon belt located?
2. With what business is the name of Rothschild associated?
3. What U.S. state is called the Hawkeye State?
4. What is the literal meaning of Sabbath?
5. What does a lactometer measure?
6. What relation was Napoleon III to Napoleon I?

(Answers on Page 10)

POCKET CARTOON

"I always say, there's nothing like A good breeze to blow the cobwebs away."

YOUR BIRTHDAY . . . . By STELLA

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

BORN today, you have a great deal of creative ability and often find ideas crowding in so fast you might have difficulty in executing them if it were not for that characteristic practicality which gives you the ability to put your ideas into tangible, workable form. Yet, a so-called artistic temperament makes it imperative for you to curb impulse and emotion lest you find yourself in hot water most of the time. But once you have gained self-discipline, your mind can be trained to become one of the most keenly analytical of your generation.

Forceful, but not unduly aggressive, you have a talent for persuading people to think your way. Natural executive ability also helps you get co-operation when you need it. You will find it best, as a rule, to act on your own judgment. This does not mean you should not listen carefully to the opinions of others but that you should avoid taking advice unless it coincides—as it often may—with your own decisions.

You women are quite talkative and are inclined to gossip. You men may talk too much about your plans before you have put them into operation. Learn to act first and talk afterwards.

Fond of children and your own home, you will be happiest if you wed quite early in life. Wed someone who has the same faith as you do in your dream!

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Don't permit a rival to destroy your happiness. Jealousy can prove your own worst enemy. Control it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—A member of the younger generation will appreciate your help and advice at this time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Do your part to keep peace in the family. Silence can prove golden if someone should start an argument.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Devote your evening to your hobby. It can bring you a great deal of relaxing pleasure just now.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Combine business and social affairs if you want the maximum of success to crown your efforts.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Delays today may be unavoidable. Don't become irritable. Be patient and the results will be better.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Use your intuitive powers to their utmost. To deny them expression would retard progress.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Don't be threatened into silence. Stand up for your rights. Be politic but very firm!

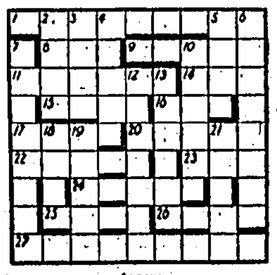
GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—A friend may need help. Be sympathetic. You may be able to turn the tide and bring good fortune.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—An important day. Make the fullest use of all your talents and you should gain your objective.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Don't resort to sarcasm to make your point. A soft answer is much more effective!

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Emotional problems fade away. There may be romance for you. Don't let it pass you by.

CROSSWORD



Across

1. Some people make a habit of dropping in with one. (9)
6. Uncultivated. (3)
9. Stagger about half a decade. (5)
11. Usher in. (6)
14. Goddess used it. (3)
15. High-perched house. (4)
16. Taken from the combat man. (5)
17. Outdoors, find an alternative return to a small advertisement. (4)
20. Make-up of a mad R.A. (6)
22. I'm Ned, but sapped. (5)
23. Thus able is outstanding. (3)
24. To the eye it may mean mischief, greed, anger or just interest. (5)
26. A broken home. (4)
26. Such marking shows quality. (4)
27. Adam and Eve were the first. (6)

Down

2. Space, down below possibly. (4)
3. Makes up the rear. (4)
4. Strife in the present age. (5)
5. Prelude to a sermon. (4)
6. Eve dealt for a change. (5)
7. This sort of Prince will reappear about Christmas time. (5)
10. Such a situation calls for workers. (5) 12. Explosive! (7)
13. The rig Dan used differently. (6)
18. What you find in every alio. (4)
19. May be recognised by the 24 in the eye. (5)
21. Atom or the car he drives? (5)

Solution of Saturday's puzzle. Across: 1, Afid 5 Down. Paint the town red. 6, Dahlias. 9, Hopper saw. 11, Brat. 12, Stars. 13, Crest. 16, Aden. 17, Exist. 18, Bills. 19, Nigh. 20, Bay. 21, Aloe. 23, Down: Bowat. 24, Parapine. 4, Abundance. 5, Aerate. 6, Dress. 7, Ace. 8, Aerosol. 14, Pinpoint. 15, Sorrel. 16, Anoil. 22, Ark. 25, Arrest. One hole.

INTELLIGENCE TEST

ROOM WITH A VIEW

By T. O. HARE

"OUR new conference hall," said the Minister of Shoes and Sealing Wax, "isn't it? A handsome, rectangular room of just the right proportions. And overlooking the park, too. The panellings will be satinwood and ivory."

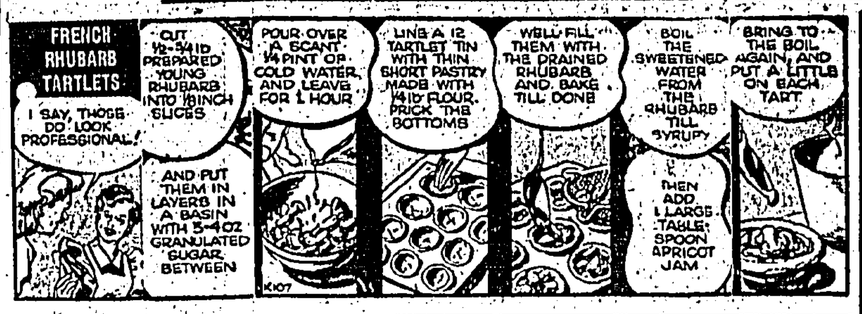
"What are its dimensions?" asked someone.

"There you have me," said the Minister. "And my PHO, I fear, is at Wimbledon. But he mentioned that the diagonal of the room exceeds one side by 11ft., and the other by 8ft. The latter, I am told, is the shorter side."

What (in square feet) is the area of the conference hall?

(Solution on Page 10)

WOMANSENSE



Black Taffeta

Black is perfect at any time of the year especially for evening wear. Lynn Barl, appearing in "On The Loose," prefers a simple taffeta dress with a cool, off the shoulder, stand-up collar.

Household Hints

If peeling onions brings tears to your eyes, turn on the tap in the kitchen sink and peel the onion under running water.

When you are putting stamps on a large number of envelopes at home, try using an ice cube instead of a sponge for moisture.

BEAUTIFYING YOUR HAIR

For hair care, use a lavender scented shampoo. Give your hair three soapings and rinsings.

By HELEN FOLLETT

● OF all good looks aids that developed in the last few decades, the permanent wave heads the list. Before that time women worked with crimping pins, kid curlers and smoking hot irons.

SHAMPOO WITH CARE

● Careless shampooing, when the shampoo agent is not thoroughly removed by rinsing, will coat the shafts, do away with the coil quality. There should be three soapings and as many rinsings. Cold water should never be used because moist heat shrinks the shafts, tightens them, sends them into wave lines. Plenty of brushing is a help; it makes the pattern stronger.

● In cases of extreme dryness when the sebaceous glands of the scalp are on strike, refuse to contribute their lubricating fluids that keep the shafts from getting brittle, a cream shampoo may prove more beneficial than soap suds. It is also advisable to apply hot mineral oil or some scalp ointment the night before the shampoo; this is actually necessary if dandruff is present. The washing of the head next morning must be thorough with plenty of brisk friction to remove the dead scales.

● Excessive dryness of the hair may weaken the wave in course of time. Some hair dyes may destroy the pattern completely since, like soap scum, they fairly plate each shaft, making it unyielding. Cutting the hair will leave blunt ends that refuse to form ringlets; in that event an end-wave by the permanent method can be had without affecting the natural undulation.

● It is natural for hair to be curlier on some days than on others. Temperature and moisture affect it. In childhood the curl is likely to be more pronounced than in later life. Of course if a wise and patient mother pats and encourages the wave design it may be made even more distinct.

HAIR HEALTH

● Specialists now are of the opinion that diet has something to do with hair health. The shafts select their colouring from the blood, so it is well to eat foods that contain iron, as is the case with spinach, beef and eggs. The woman who has a balanced diet, consuming all the necessary food elements, including mineral salts and vitamins, has a better chance of keeping her glorious crown in condition than the fussy eater who limits herself to certain dishes.

PARIS TAKES FASHION BACKWARDS TO THE 1947 'NEW LOOK'

First pictures released from the Paris autumn collections, show some of the trends backing towards the 1947 New Look.

Evening dress by Jacques Fath (above) is in black organza, entirely sun-ray pleated. The bodice opens out into a wide, fan-shaped collar.

Suit by Lanvin Castillo is reminiscent of the 1947 New Look but slightly shorter. It is tailored in dark grey wool—a favourite colour choice—with a wide flared skirt. Tight-waisted jacket has side-fastening and stand-up collar, edged with astrakhan—also used to trim the hem and make the beret.

Tight waists, narrow belts and curved shoulder yokes were featured in most of the collections.

—(London Express Service)

Lace Corsets, Bras For Lace Fashions

Increased popularity of lace is one of the aspects of the fashion picture today. More lace dressy dresses at budget prices bridal and formal gowns reflect great interest in lace. Year-round use, easy packing, and dressy feminine appearance are reasons for the spurt in lace fashions. Cotton laces are making an impression in sportswear, appearing in boleros over barotops, in overskirts, and jackets over play clothes. Following success of all-lace blouses manufacturers are showing more cotton lace blouses.

Lace is also significant in foundations. Nylon lace, for example, is extremely popular in bras for both the young and mature figure. Since its sturdiness and washability belies its fragile appearance, it is practical and suitable with essentially feminine lace dresses. Lace elastic is a general favourite in soft pantie girdles and girdles because it is both decorative and long wearing. It may be suggested as a suitable foundation for young figures under lace fashions, both dressy and casual. Lace is popular as trimming on all types of foundations, some of which can be selected for display along with lace outerwear.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Mr. Merlin's Magic Whittling

—He Carved the Most Extraordinary Things!—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, were walking down the road past the Pine Tree Grove when they suddenly spied their friend Mr Merlin the Magician sitting on the stone wall on the other side of the road.

He had a piece of wood in his hand. He was carving it with a little knife.

Knarf and Hanid shouted hello to him and ran over.

"Hi," he said without glancing up.

"Why Mr Merlin," exclaimed Hanid, "you're whittling."

Mr Merlin nodded.

Long Back Legs

The two shadows pressed in closer. As far as they could see, Mr Merlin was whittling the piece of wood into something with long back legs and a small head and a pair of folded-up wings. "It's a grasshopper you're whittling," said Knarf.

Again Mr Merlin nodded.

"A little wooden whittled grasshopper," said Hanid.

"May I hold it in my hand, please?" begged Knarf.

Mr Merlin shaved off another splinter or two from the wooden grasshopper. He placed it in the palm of Knarf's hand. Then he took another piece of wood out of his pocket and started whittling something else.

Meanwhile Knarf and Hanid gasped in astonishment at the wooden grasshopper. "It looks almost real!" cried Knarf.

"My goodness," said Hanid, "I just thought I saw it move!" She put out at finger to touch it. And at that instant the grasshopper that Mr Merlin the Magician had whittled out of a piece of wood sprang high into the air and went hopping off across the meadow.

Was He Chuckling?

It seemed to Knarf and Hanid that they heard Mr Merlin chuckling as this happened. But they couldn't be sure. He had his head bent over. They looked to see what he was whittling now.

"It's a butterfly!" said Knarf.

"Mr Merlin," cried Hanid, "did you see what just happened to your wooden grasshopper? It hopped away."

"Yep," said Mr Merlin. "You should have held on to it."

"May we hold the butterfly, Mr Merlin?"

Mr Merlin didn't answer. He just cut away a few more shavings from the wings of the whittled butterfly and set it gently on Knarf's sleeve.

But this time, before Knarf or Hanid even had time to take a good look at it, the butterfly went fluttering off. It vanished among the trees in half a minute.

"It flew away!" shouted Knarf and Hanid to Mr Merlin. "Yep," he said, "and I warned you to hold on to it. Well, guess I'll have to get them back. I don't like my whittlings to go roaming around."

Heap of Shavings

With that Mr Merlin took a third and larger piece of wood out of his pocket and began whittling it in great haste. The shavings fell to the ground in a heap. But in a few minutes Knarf and Hanid saw that he had whittled out a bird—a swallow. "What are you going to do with it?" asked Knarf.

Mr Merlin shaved off another splinter from the grasshopper.

Without saying anything Mr Merlin tossed the swallow into the air. "Bring back the grasshopper and the butterfly," he said. The swallow darted off like a streak.

And sure enough, not three minutes later it was darting back again with the grasshopper and the butterfly in its beak!

Then Mr Merlin did the most remarkable thing of all. He took the swallow, the grasshopper and the butterfly, picked up all the shavings from the ground, shook everything together in his closed hands and—turned them all back into three little pieces of wood.

Magicians, don't whittle like ordinary folks," Mr Merlin chuckled as he got off the wall and walked away.

Rupert and the Sorcerer—21

Rupert is puzzled by the quiet disappearance of the other small people. "I wonder why they slipped away like that," he thinks. "and, where have they gone?" Turning round, he catches sight of the last of them before the bushes hide them. "Good gracious!" he gasps, "they've gone back the way we came. They must be trying to find that flying saucer. They mustn't touch it or goodness knows what will happen!" Snatching up his scarf, he gives chase, and is just in time to get ahead of the darkies as they reach the grassy patch.

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RESULTS AT A GLANCE

SENIOR "A" DIVISION

Jaguars	7	Canadians (forfeited game)	0
Pandas	4	St. Joseph's	3
Braves	5	South China	1

SENIOR "B" DIVISION

US Navy	7	Americans	2

JUNIOR LEAGUE

Dragons	14	Wildfires	22
Delawares	5	Rexes	8
South China	9	Pandas	7
35 Bantams	2	Griffins	16
Aces	10	Dodgers	9

LADIES' LEAGUE

Squaws	7	Pool To	3

BRAVES STAGE A BIG INNING IN THE SEVENTH TO SUBDUE SOUTH CHINA 5-1

By "GRANDSTAND"

Playing before a crowd of softball fans who filled the grandstand and covered the hillside at King's Park, the Braves staged a Big Inning in the seventh to subdue South China 5-1 in the main attraction of the weekend, while St Joseph's surprised their supporters when they held the Pandas to 3all up to the sixth, only to be edged out by a final rally.

The Canucks failed to field a team in their first game of the season and forfeited the points to the Jaguars while the US Navy asserted their superiority in the all-American classic when they overwhelmed the American Clubbers 7-2 in the only "B" division tilt of the afternoon.

Sparked by Robert Xavier's perfect batting performance, the Delawares nosed out their rivals the Rexes 9-8 in the Junior League needle tussle while Wildfires surprised Dragons 22-14.

BRAVES 5—SOUTH CHINA 1

Pitching a one-hitter, Braves hurler Chapple Remedios held the Caroliners to a solitary run which was registered in the initial chapter when Rabbit Leung drew a walk and scooted over the plate on infielder "Doc" Guterres' fumble, while his mates earned one for the Tribe when Junior Remedios belted out a two-bagger in his first trip to the plate.

Both squads had opportunities to score in the following chapters, but good fielding, and bone-head base-running in some cases, nullified the efforts.

In the second stanza South China had a potential run on second base but failed to follow up with the necessary punch. Again in the third the Caroliners had their best chance of the game for a scoring spree when they had the bases choked with runners and none away, but slugger P. C. Wong lifted a pop-fly which resulted in a double play and the next batter grounded out to save Chapple Remedios from a difficult spot.

In the bottom of the sixth, with the score 2-1 in favour of the Braves, Lo To-on, pinch-hitting for C. K. Choy, drew a pass to first base on four pitched balls and promptly executed two brilliant steals to get to third base. After failing in a bunt-sacrifice, P. C. Wong decided to hit away and only managed a feeble grounder to third base, but Lo was over-anxious and the rash attempt to score was snuffed out when received Junior Remedios waited for him at the plate with the ball.

The Braves, who were able to collect a few scattered hits up to this time, really went to town in the top of the seventh when Junior Remedios, teed off with his third hit of the day, followed by another single off Joe "Doc" Guterres' hickory, and when the dust had settled, the Braves had three more runs to salt away the game.

Junior Remedios had a good start in the batting race when he connected safely three times in as many tries, two of the blows being good for two-bases, while Doc Guterres registered two in three. Last year's Batting Champion, Tony Osmund, failed miserably, showing nothing for his two trips in the rectangle.

Chapple Remedios was in excellent form on the rubber and was supported by Junior Remedios behind the batter, Junior being assigned the task by Frankie Correa who handled the reins for this job in the absence of Charlie Figueiredo.

Carlos Yvanovich, who was riding the pine on medical advice, was put in the game in the fifth inning when it appeared that things were pretty close, while Gerry Gosano, who has been absent from the diamond for some time, made a reappearance in the right garden.

For seven full frames the Saints extended the Pandas before they succumbed in the final seventh when Saint mentor Art Ozorio ordered Sherry Bucks to load the sacks with an intentional walk to Y. S. Liang. But a hot grounder to third base by Tim Holt, which was fumbled, saw Y. C. Mei carry the winning run over the plate.

The Saints led from the beginning when they snatched a one-run lead on a walk followed by Showboat's All's single, but Panda hurler Wei pitched himself out of the hole when he fanned Benny Omar and forced Dave Leonard and Sherry Bucks on fly balls.

The Pandas came back with a two-run spree on a pair of singles sandwiched around an infield fumble and the scoring gates were closed for the next two frames. The Saints equalised in the fourth frame when Sherry Bucks drew a walk and stole second. A sacrifice placed him in scoring position and when Jackie Wei was penalised for an illegal pitch, Bucks crossed the pan to deadlock the score.

S. H. Khan's single to start off the fifth semester was converted into a run on Art Ozorio's sacrifice bunt followed by a wild heave to the hot-corner, but the Pandas came back once more with two successive bunts to nudge Wally Mar home.

The sixth passed without either side threatening but after Kito Hyndman had fanned in the seventh, Jindoo Hussain was given a life, but the Saints failed to notch up that important run when Al Smirke failed to produce the necessary safe hit.

In the bottom of the seventh, the Pandas came to life when a careless blunder in the Saints' infield allowed Mei to reach first base. Wally Mar got on base via a hit and after Y. Y. Liang had sacrificed the two base-runners into scoring position, Y. S. Liang was intentionally walked. Tim Wong, batting in the clean-up spot, grounded out to third base but usually reliable Benny Omar muffed the chance for a twin-killing when he fumbled the ball.

Jackie Wei, who turned back the Saints with a two-hit performance, fanned five while Sherry Bucks, working on the slab for the losers, yielded three hits. Umpires for this game were Fred Ewins (Plate), Don Robbins (1st & 2nd bases), Tony Osmund (3rd base).

The American Clubbers suffered their first defeat of the season when the US Navy humbled them 7-2 in the "B" Division tilt. An outfield error in the very first inning of the game gave the gobs a two-run lead and it was still a 2—1 ballgame until the sixth when a long-hoist with the bases loaded started a scoring spree in which four Navy boys dented the rubber.

The Clubbers made only one hit and that happened in the second chapter when catcher Jake Blodgett singled and slid over the plate in a cloud of dust on a succeeding grounder.

A slight drizzle started during the game, and towards the late stages it was evident that both pitchers found the ball difficult to control.

JUNIOR LEAGUE GAMES

Delawares grabbed the inside track when they shaded their closest rivals of the Junior League by a 9—8 triumph over the Rexes. Terry Lucido on the mound for the winners fanned nine while A. K. Ismail struck-out two. Both hurlers gave up 10 hits each, but the Delawars blows were made with runners on base.

The first frame saw both teams tied at two-all but the Delawares forged ahead with a pair of markers in the next chapter, and although the Rexes tried to overcome the disadvantage by nibbling at the lead, the Delawares always countered with one more.

Hero of the game was Robert Xavier who collected three hits, two of which were three-baggers, while Ricardo Chaves nicked Ismail for two in three.

The 35 Bantams found the experienced Griffins too tough and faded away 16—2. Coach Les Castro has been giving this outfit weekly workouts, and although they showed marked improvement during these sessions, playing to a crowd of partisan fans was another thing.

Aces just managed to grab the verdict from the Dodgers by a narrow 10—9 count while South China accounted for Pandas 9—7.

LADIES' LEAGUE

In the Ladies' League, Pool To, playing for the first time in public, gave a good account of themselves when they bowed to the powerful Squaws 7—3, most of the winning runs being tallied in the last part of the tilt.

Benita Remedios toed the rubber for the winners and after shutting out the opposition for three chapters, allowed the Pool To Collegians to bunch up three solid blows for a trio of markers. Remedios struck out four while Mary Wu for the losers fanned two. The three singles which started a multiple were made by Mary Wu, Sylvia Lin and Chan Shui-kuen.

Britain Wins Motor-cycling Six-day Trials

Monza, Italy, Sept. 23.

Britain today won the International Trophy, the most important event of the six-day motor-cycling trials in Italy. The trophy goes to Britain for the 15th time.

Austria, with one penalty point, were second. Britain had lost no marks.

The Dutch "B" team won the Silver Vase event, beating the British "A" team on a higher speed percentage in the final speed tests on the Monza motor racing track.—Reuter.

MODENA GRAND PRIX

Modena, Italy, Sept. 23.

Alberto Ascari, the Italian ace, won the Grand Prix of Modena for Formula II entrants here today in a Ferrari, averaging 116,302 kilometres per hour for the 25 kilometres course.

Froilan Gonzales (Argentina), also on a Ferrari, was second and Lance Macklin (Britain), on a H.W.M., third.

Ascari's time for the course was 2 hrs. 9 mins. 23-1/5 secs.—Reuter.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

OCTOBER (8th) RACE MEETING

Saturday 6th & Monday 8th October, 1951

(Held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2.00 p.m. on the 1st Day.

On the 2nd Day the first bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the First Race will be run at 12.00 noon. The tiffin interval is after the Fourth Race (1.30 p.m.) on the 2nd Day.

There are 10 races on the 1st Day and 12 races on the 2nd Day (22 in all).

Through Tickets (at $44 each) may be obtained at the Compradore Office of the Treasurers, 1st floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the "Kwangtung Handicap" scheduled to be run on 6th October, 1951.

Through tickets reserved for this Meeting but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 5th October, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

THERE WILL BE NO SPECIAL CASH SWEEP ON THE LAST RACE.

To avoid congestion at the Club's Office at Telephone House, non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the Club's Branch Offices at:—

5, D'Aguilar Street, Hong Kong
or
382, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

TOTALISATOR

Dividends will be paid on the winning and placed ponies so declared by the Stewards when the "All Clear" is given. The "All Clear" signal will be indicated by a white light and/or a white sphere at the Totalisator Tower. BACKERS ARE ADVISED NOT TO DESTROY OR THROW AWAY THEIR TICKETS UNTIL AFTER THE "ALL CLEAR" SIGNAL HAS BEEN EXHIBITED. ATTENTION is drawn to Rule 23 of the Totalisator Rules which reads as follows:—

In no circumstances will any dividends be paid or refunds made unless a ticket is produced. Payment will not be made on torn or disfigured tickets.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non-members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at $10.00 per day including tax, for ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary at Telephone House, on the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all chits, etc.

Only a limited number of badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Branch Offices and the Treasurers' Compradore Office will close at 10.00 a.m. on both days. The Secretary's Office will close at 11.45 a.m. the 1st Day and at 10.00 a.m. the 2nd Day. The Treasurers' Compradore Office and the Secretary's Office are situated at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is $3.00 each day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PRECINCTS OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB DURING THE RACE MEETING.

MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

Owing to the congestion in the Members' Betting Hall, Box-holders and Members are requested to ensure that their servants make use only of the Public Betting Halls. Military Police will be posted at various entrances to the Members' Hall to ensure that this regulation is adhered to.

BY ORDER,
S. A. SLEAP,
Secretary.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the October (8th) Race Meeting to be held on Saturday 6th and Monday 8th October, 1951, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Telephone House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 27th September, 1951.

By Order,
S. A. Sleap,
Secretary.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Special Cash Sweep
on the
Kwangtung Handicap
Saturday, 6th Oct., 1951.

Tickets in the above at $2 each may be obtained at the Treasurers' Compradore Office, 1st Floor, Telephone House, and at the Club's Branch Offices situated at:—

5, D'Aguilar Street, Hong Kong
or
382, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

Over 800,000 tickets sold to date.

S. A. SLEAP,
Secretary.

ARSENAL v. DERBY COUNTY AT HIGHBURY

Middleton, the Derby County goalkeeper, goes out to meet the ball while an Arsenal player (on right) makes himself heard in the match at Highbury. Arsenal won 3-1.—Reuterphoto.

Ten Hoff Beats Gardner For The European Heavyweight Title

By THOMAS REEDY

Berlin, Sept. 23.

Hein Ten Hoff, a towering Teuton with a lightning left, soundly trounced Britain's Jack Gardner today to return the European heavyweight boxing title to Germany for the first time since Max Schmeling's 1939 tenure.

The handsome Hamburger used a th ree-inch advantage in reach and wise ring experience to stand off Gardner and pile up a thumping advantage in points over the 15-round bout.

The jubilant sell-out crowd of 25,000 jamming the outdoor Waldbuehne Arena near Berlin's Olympic Stadium, roared its approval as referee Juan Casanovas (Spain) raised Ten Hoff's arm in victory.

The hopeful British delegation in the audience, headed by Major General G. K. Bourne, British Commander in Berlin, had to agree with the verdict—it was Ten Hoff all the way.

Most ringside observers gave Ten Hoff at least 11 of the rounds with the others a draw. The more generous conceded Gardner a slight edge in the fifth and eighth rounds.

WENT DOWN GAMELY

Gardner lost the title which he won only last February from Jo Weidin (Austria) but he went down gamely. Ten Hoff opened an old cut over the 25-year-old Briton's left eye in the second round and from that time on his face was covered with blood. The wound rattled the ex-soldier but did not interfere with his vision.

Weighing 216½ pounds, the six-feet-four inch Ten Hoff belied his size by beating his opponent to the punch repeatedly. His left snaked in constantly and kept Gardner off balance. He coupled that with a looping right that shook the Britisher but failed to wear him down. Neither fighter had the power to put the other on the canvas.

Gardner's youth stood him in good stead. The steady drumming he took would have buckled an older or less rugged man. When he tried to outbox the 31-year-old German, he was a split second late every time. But when he bulled in and mixed it at close range, Gardner got the best of it.

JUSTIFIED IT

Ten Hoff went into the ring a 2-1 favourite, an unusual position for a challenger. He justified it quickly.

His six-pound advantage in weight never figured in the match. Both were fresh and strong after 45 rounds of milling that satisfied the crowd that paid top prices of 50 Marks (£4 5s) for ringside seats.

The Britisher drew a guarantee of £5,000 while Ten Hoff took 15 per cent of the gate.

In the supporting card, middleweight Franz Szuszens (Bremen) knocked out Charlie Angeles (New York) in the fourth round. Auguste Cruliet (France) and Hans Prefner (Hamburg) lightweights, fought to a draw, Heinz Neuhaus (Dortmund) outpointed heavyweight Kurt Schlegl (Austria), and Richard Vogt (Hamburg) and Heinz Titze (Berlin), heavyweights, drew.

Ex-Champion Max Schmeling, who refereed two of the matches, said Ten Hoff's experience was too much for Gardner to overcome.

Johnny Williams, British heavyweight, said he thought Gardner's cut over the eye distorted him more than most people realised.

"You get a cut like that early in the fight and it's hard to get it off your mind," he said. "You worry that the referee will stop the fight."

NO CHANCES

Promoter Joachim Goetzert took no chances on a repetition of the bottle-throwing during the Ray Robinson-Gerhard Hecht fight in the Waldbuehne in June. Pop was sold in paper cups.

Ten Hoff has never boxed outside Germany and has won 25 of his 20 fights. He lost a points decision to Jersey Joe Walcott in Mannheim last May. Several years ago Ten Hoff went to New York but anti-Nazi resentment in boxing circles kept him out of the ring.

Gardner had 22 victories in 25 career fights, a decision over Bruno Vondenberg in Koblenz and a draw with Hein Ten Hoff.—Associated Press.

Yankees & Dodgers A Step Closer To The World Series

New York, Sept. 23.

The New York Yankees and the Brooklyn Dodgers moved a step closer to a World Series meeting today behind some clutch-pitching by Vic Raschi and Preacher Roe.

Raschi turned in his 20th victory as he pitched the Yanks to a 6-1 victory over the Red Sox in Boston. The triumph fattened the Yanks' American League lead to 2½ games over the Cleveland Indians, who dropped a 7-1 decision to the Tigers in Detroit.

Roe, beaten only twice all year, turned in his 22nd victory for the Dodgers with a 4-2 decision over Philadelphia. The victory protected the Dodgers' three-game lead over the New York Giants, who downed Boston 4-1.

The Yanks have six games to play, including five with the Red Sox, while the Indians have only three games to go. The Yanks can clinch their third straight pennant by winning three of their remaining six games.

Brooklyn has seven games to play while the Giants have only five. Any combination of four Dodger victories or Giant setbacks will give the Dodgers the pennant.—Associated Press.

YANKEE'S VICTORY

Boston, Sept. 23.

Big Vic Raschi manhandled Boston in the tight spot today to bolster the pennant hopes of the American League leading New York Yankees with a 6-1 victory, his 20th of the season.

The right-hander wriggled out of serious trouble in the early innings, stamped out a threat in the sixth and rode home to his third straight 20-win year on a blast of 14 Yank hits.

Snarled in a 1-1 tie with lefty Chuck Stobbs for six innings, Raschi scrambled home three on a three-run outburst in the seventh. Pinchhitter Johnny Mize delivered a double that broke the deadlock.

Hank Bauer and Jerry Coleman each had three hits, and Mickey Mantle, Gil McDonald and Mize two each in this final-road game of the year.

Philadelphia defeated Washington 12-4 in the first game of a scheduled two games.—Associated Press.

Ampon Wins Lugano Singles Title

Lugano, Italy, Sept. 23.

Felicisimo Ampon, of the Philippines, won the men's singles in the international lawn tennis tournament here today, defeating Armando Vieira, of Brazil, by 6-1, 6-4, 3-6, 2-6 and 6-2.

Ampon and his South African partner, Abe Segal, were defeated in the men's doubles final by the Italian pair, Frutasst and Medici, who won by 6-4, 0-6, 5-7, 7-5 and 6-4.—Reuter.

Billiards Tourney

London, Sept. 22.

Wilson Jones, the Indian champion, was 125 points behind Tom Cleary, champion of Australia, at the interval in the sixth heat of the world amateur billiards championship at Burroughes Hall, London, to-day.

Cleary had scored 749 points and Wilson Jones 624. The best breaks so far were: Wilson Jones 761, 102, 90 and 117. Cleary 80, 79, 63, 174 and 121. The match continued in the evening.—Reuter.

Home Soccer Review

London, Sept. 22.

Tottenham Hotspur, reigning League Division I champions, conquered the leaders, Manchester United, in the match of the day in today's football programme.

By defeating United, Spurs opened the way for Aston Villa to jump to the head of the table with a clear victory over Liverpool. They are one point ahead of Tottenham, Manchester United and Bolton Wanderers, who won well at Burnley.

With the team for the first international match of the season being picked on Monday, even greater interest than usual was focussed on the clash of Spurs and Manchester, which drew a crowd of 70,540. At least eight of the players were generally regarded as among the front line of candidates for choice against France on October 3.

The selectors present could not have been very impressed with the form of Jack Rowley, the League's leading goal scorer. He was well held by Spurs' centre-half, Clarke, playing his first game of the season.

They must, however, have been struck by the splendid form of Medley, Tottenham's left-winger, and Allen, United's goal-keeper.

Medley scored a great goal which put Spurs in front and his repeated change of position worried the United defenders.

Among a series of brilliant saves, Allen kept out a fierce penalty shot by Ramsey.

FINNEY IN TOP FORM

A few miles away the reigning England centre-forward Milburn received few opportunities in Charlton Athletic's defeat of the Cup holders, Newcastle United. In fact, he was out-shone by Vaughan, Charlton's leader, who scored twice.

Though his team was beaten by the new leaders, Laurie Hughes played so well at centre-half for Liverpool that he must have enhanced his prospects of inclusion in the England side.

Tom Finney, the Preston winger, left no doubts that he is at the top of his form, getting both goals by which Preston beat Sloke City.

Inside-forwards who did well were Len Shackleton of Sunderland who netted the scoring for the seventh time in eight games, and Harold Hassall, the young Huddersfield inside-left, who got the only goal of the match with Middlesbrough.

Though Sheffield United dropped a point at Coventry they retained a three-point lead at the head of Division II because their nearest rivals, Notts County and Luton, were held to home draws.

Rangers did splendidly well to take a point from Nottingham as their centre-forward, Addinall, was a passenger for most of the game.

Blackburn Rovers, who held Luton, are still without a win.

The biggest surprise of the day was caused by Rotherham United who conquered Sheffield Wednesday, 6-2, on the Sheffield ground after leading 1-0 at half-time.

In the League III (Southern) section, Bristol Rovers did themselves and several other clubs a good turn by their victory at Plymouth which knocked the latter club from the top of the table.—Reuter.

ON THE RECORD

The Importance Of Being Eager

There is nothing more important to success in sport than the desire to do better, an eagerness to improve on one's best every time out.

It was on eagerness alone that Cynthia Eager, who will be 16 in November, has already earned two trips to Manila. She is due for a third soon and a longer one to Helsinki next year to the Olympic Games.

On Saturday, Cynthia swam 440 Yards in 5 minutes 49-4/5 seconds, a performance that will be noted with interest in Copenhagen and Amsterdam, Honolulu and Oakland.

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The performance alone will excite some interest. More interesting were some of the aspects of it.

First, it was a badly-paced race. It was a super-eager Cynthia who sprinted into a big lead over the first few lengths and it was an agonised expression that finally looked over the finish pole.

At the 17 turns many curious pauses were registered. Once or twice it seemed that she was lingering at the starting end to make sure whether it was 10 lengths or 12 lengths. 14 lengths or 16 lengths she had already done.

Her lap-caller was almost falling into the pool to get closer to her ear. An average wastage of half a second on each turn — she seemed resigned to being unhurried about them — makes it a total loss of 8½ seconds on 17 turns, and that is a conservative estimate.

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Without starting to calculate what the purely swimming side of her performance was actually worth, her time of 5:49.8 was never beaten before 1938 in the British ASA Championships when Miss M. K. Jeffery of Croydon did the distance in 5:43.2

Motherwell's Nancy Riach won in 5:50 in 1946 and was acclaimed the most promising swimmer Britain ever produced. Next year came Cathie Gibson, who brought the record down to 5:23.2 in 1947 and finished third to Anne Curtis and Karen Harup at the Wembley Empire Pool in the Olympic Games of 1948 in 5:22.5 seconds.

Today Britain is not short of good swimmers. There are Margaret Wellington and P. Nielsen, who were timed in 5:38.2 and 5:39.5 in the semi-finals of the last Games. In last year's ASA Championships third place went at 5:37.5.

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Cynthia's 5:49.8 for 440 Yards is worth 5:45.8 for the 400 Metres. With only eight turns in a 50-metre pool, that would be worth 5:41.8 on the reduced necessity for the Eager pause at the turn. If the Eager pause was eliminated, it would be worth 5:37.8.

Only 10 women beat 5:37.8 in the last Olympic Games, only 13 beat 5:49.8. Cynthia could have easily made the semi-final on her Saturday's performance.

The last Empire Games 440 Yards title was won by Joan Harrison of South Africa in 5:20.4 with Margaret Wellington (England) second in 5:33.7 and Denise Norton of Australia third in 5:33.8. In the Empire today, Cynthia is already in the first ten.

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Only 10 of 63 girls who competed in the American National AAU Championships for the 400 Metres Free Style title at Detroit at the end of July beat 5:49.8 for the distance.

The world over last year, ten women, led by Anna-Maria Schultz of Argentina in 5:14.6, beat 5:26.2 for 400 Metres (5:30.2 for 440 Yards). Eva Skeley (Hungary) did 5:15.4, Irma Schumacher (Holland), 5:20.2, Thelma Kalama (Hawaii), 5:21.4, Colette Thomas (France), 5:23.0.

Outstanding performances this year in the event have been the 5:15.3 of Greta Anderson (Denmark), the 5:21.6 of Barbara Hobelman (USA), the 5:23.3 of Evelyn Kawamoto (Hawaii), and the 5:22.0 for 440 Yards of Daphne Wilkinson, the new British record-holder.

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All these outstanding performances by the biggest fish of them all do not put into the shade the 5:49.8 of Cynthia Eager. In an eight-lap 400 metres race against the queen-pin of them all, Anna-Maria Schultz, she would be two-thirds of a lap behind.

That is, in a 25-yard pool, she would be lapped once by the best of them all in a 17-lap race and would be just passing the pole to the end of the 17th lap as Anna-Maria would be touching it for victory. The only other two women in the world who could lap Cynthia in a 25-yard pool are Eva Szekely and Greta Anderson.

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The Eager show sticle thé thunder from the 2:18.8 and the 2:19.4 in the 220 Yards Free Style by Cheong Kin-man and "Sonny"

Cynthia at 15½—a lap behind the world's very best.

Montoiro. On these performances, they could have finished third and fourth in the British ASA Championships last year.

With Ng Nin breaking the 100 Yards Breast Stroke record and the Chinese YMCA team breaking the 400 Yards Relay record, it was a grand show.

But this column today is again Cynthia Eager's and it is, to say the least, remarkable that a 16-year-old girl without any coaching worthy of the name is touching upon world class. One can only end on the note that she is, indeed, Eager with a capital E.

— "RECORDER"

Cradle At 14th Attempt

Mrs. Ann Porter, Duxford, Essex, gave birth to a baby girl at the 14th attempt.

TODAY'S SPORT

TENNIS

Kowloon Cricket Club Championships:—

R. O. Baker v Daniel Chen (Court No. 4). L. F. Stokes & K. Greene v F. Zimmern & C. Kotewall (Court No. 1). Miss Bonbernard v Miss P. Ward (Court No. 3). Miss L. Coxall & Mrs J. Lawes v Miss R. White & Mrs J. Norfolk (Court No. 2). Mrs E. Tebbutt & A. Augestad v Miss M. Fisher & F. A. Fisher (Court No. 5).

Chinese Recreation Club Open Hardcourt Championships, commencing 5.30 p.m.—P. L. Holmes v V. T. Wang (Singles); S. W. Wong and Iu Tak-cheuk v Szeto Bick and C. C. Kao; L. C. Kotewall and J. C. Fenton v Chan Yeh and Z. L. Sia; K. C. Dao and W. T. Lee v K. C. Ng and Y. Y. Lam (Doubles).

Ladies' Recreation Club Championships, commencing 5 p.m.—

Mrs W.J.D. Cooper & Mrs E.J. Siegler v Mrs Mary Chow & Mrs Joan Wong Sze (Colony Ladies Doubles semi-finals).

Mr & Mrs Ip Koon-chung v Norman Lo & Miss Rita Lo (Colony Mixed Doubles semi-finals).

CLUB TOURNAMENTS

W.J.D. Cooper v S. Sauli; Lt. Comdr J. Cook v E. Zusluf; A. P. Jessen & R. Torp v F. C. Stuckey & S. Houssin; Mrs F. C. Stuckey v Mrs A. C. Hutchison; Mrs P. Powell & Mrs J. Rishoyd v Mrs D. L. Prophet & Mrs G. M. MacWhinnie.

MEETINGS

Amateur Athletic Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hongkong Executive Committee meeting at YRC, 5.30 p.m.

Ladies' Hockey meeting at Shewan Tomes & Co., Board Room, 5.30 p.m.

Soccer League meeting at Messrs. H. Rutonjee & Co., 3rd floor, 5 p.m.

Police "A" Win Stanley Shield

The Stanley Shield Seven-A-Side Soccer Knock-Out Competition in which 56 teams took part and which commenced last week-end, concluded before an almost capacity crowd on the Club ground yesterday, with Police "A" defeating Kit Chee "A" in the final to retain the Shield which they won last year.

In the Junior (Schools) Competition, Wah Yan AM defeated La Salle College by one goal to nil after extra time.

On conclusion of the final game, trophies were presented by Mr N. B. Fraser of the Hongkong Police, who was interned in Stanley Internment Camp during the Japanese Occupation and on whose suggestion the Stanley Shield competition was brought into existence.

A bouquet of flowers was presented to Mrs Fraser by Miss Omar, daughter of Mr R. M. Omar, Secretary of the Hongkong Football Association.

More than $25,000 has been raised by way of gate money. The net receipts will be donated to the International Red Cross or such other charities as the Council of the Hongkong Football Association may deem fit.

Yiu Cheuk-yin of South China, the Colony's most promising inside-left and Olympic Games prospect, was the victim of a nasty tackle in the game between South China "B" and Sing Tao "A". He received an injury which is likely to keep him out of the game for several weeks.

This game was a close affair, with the former emerging victorious by two corners, the teams sharing four goals.

HQ Land Forces, who were expected to offer stiff opposition to Police "A", disappointed badly by losing 5-1.

A keen tussle was witnessed in the game between Eastern and Kit Chee "A". Eastern were at one time leading by two goals. They failed to hold out, however, and allowed Kit Chee to equalise and force the corner which enabled them to enter the semi-finals.

The best game of the afternoon was, without doubt, that between Kwong Wah and 23rd Field Regiment RA, which necessitated the playing of two periods of extra time before a decision could be reached, Kwong Wah winning by a corner.

The game was played at a sizzling pace with 23rd Field Regiment leading Kwong Wah by two clear goals at one stage.

In the semi-final, Kwong Wah were defeated by Kit Chee "A" by two goals to one.

It was obvious that the Kwong Wah players were feeling the effects of their strenuous match against 23rd Field Regiment, as they failed to display the same dash and vigour.

Although they were without the services of Yiu Cheuk-yin, South China put up a determined fight against Police "A" in the other semi-final and were rather unlucky to lose by one corner after sharing four goals.

THE FINAL

The final game between Police "A" and Kit Chee "A" failed to come up to expectations, the latter losing by three clear goals.

There was no doubt about the superiority of the Police, who fully deserved their victory, which was all the more meritorious by reason of the fact that since the start of the Competition this year they had not been conceded a chance — the favourites being South China "B", Kit Chee "A" and Kowloon Motor Bus.

Kit Chee "A" started off in promising style, with Kwok Ying-kee taking the ball down the right and then crossing it into the goalmouth. There was no other Kit Chee player in position, however, and the Police were able to clear their lines.

Police then took up the running and following an attack on the Kit Chee goal, were awarded a penalty. Yuen Yiu-lam made no mistake with the spot kick.

Kit Chee fought back desperately, but their efforts lacked cohesion.

Shortly before the interval, Yuen Yiu-lam put Police further ahead with a fine effort which gave Cheung Koon-hing no chance.

Crossing over two goals in arrears, Kit Chee made a determined bid to reduce the arrears, but their efforts proved futile against a rock-like defence.

The Police seemed content to rest on their laurels and resorted to a defensive game. The Kit Chee forwards were presented with several scoring opportunities, but these were frittered away through inaccurate shooting and slowness on the ball.

Before the final whistle, Police broke away and a neat movement ended with Au Chi-yin netting with a beautiful header.

SCHOOLBOYS' TOURNEY

In the Schoolboys' semi-finals, La Salle eliminated Ellis Kadoorie by three clear goals, while Wah Yan AM defeated St. Joseph's by one corner, the teams sharing two goals.

The final of the Schoolboys' Competition saw a dour struggle between Wah Yan AM and La Salle.

Wah Yan AM were definitely superior in teamwork, but La Salle never gave up trying.

Wah Yan gained an early lead when they forced the La Salle defence into conceding a corner, a lead which was held until well into the second half, when Wah Yan themselves were forced to give away a corner.

With the score tied at full-time, the playing to extra time was necessary and it was during this period that Wah Yan scored the winning goal, which was a header from a perfectly placed cross from the right.

Results were:

Quarter-finals.—S. China "B" 2 goals and 3 corners, Sing Tao "A" 2 goals and 1 corner; Police "A" 5, HQ Land Forces 1; Eastern 3, Kit Chee "A" 3 goals and one corner; Kwong Wah 3 goals and 1 corner, 23rd Fd Regt RA 3.

Semi-Finals.—Police "A" 2 goals and 3 corners, S. China "B" 2 goals and 1 corner; Kit Chee "A" 2, Kwong Wah 1.

Final.—Police "A" 3, Kit Chee "A" 0.

Schoolboys Semi-Finals.—La Salle 3, Ellis Kadoorie 0; St Joseph's 1, Wah Yan AM 1 goal and 1 corner.

Final.—Wah Yan AM 1, La Salle 0.

The finalists:

Police "A".—Tsang Kai-wing, Lai Wai, Leung Shun-chi, Tsang Sik-hong, Au Chi-yin, Yuen Yiu-lam and Tam Yung-kan.

Kit Chee "A".—Cheung Koon-hing, Lee Ping-nam, Luk Tat-hay, Tse Kam-hung, Chu Kam-sing, Kwok Ying-kee and Lau Wing-kwong.

Wah Yan AM.—Tommy Lun, Ng Tat-man, Chan Chuen-kwok, John Ngan, Lai Sung-kit, Ng Shue-sun, Ng Luen-fook.

La Salle.—Tung On-hoi, Lam Yuk-lim, Tse Shui-chung, Choi Ching-ming, Stephen Xavier, Paul Wong, Tang Hen-yui.

Home Rugger Results

London, Sept. 22.

The following were the results of Rugby Union and Rugby League games played to-day:

RUGBY UNION

Guys Hospital 3, Blackheath 12; London Irish 14, United Services Portsmouth 0; Old Merchant Taylors 13, London Scottish 9; Richmond 13, Old Alleynians 5; St Mary's Hospital 9, Harlequins 9; Aberavon 30, Weston-super-Mare 8; Abertillery 8, Ebbu Vale 14; Aldershot Services 13, Wasps 13; Bath 26, Devonport Services 3; Bedford 25, Metropolitan Police 0.

Bristol 18, London Hospital 11; Cardiff 12, British Lions (Tourists) 14; Coventry 11, Nuneaton 3; Glamorgan Wanderers 28, Mountain Ash 0; Gloucester 11, Neath 11; Headingley 8, Manchester 11; Moseley 17, Old Paulines 3; Newport 21, Swansea 8; Newbridge 3, Cross Keys 6; Northampton 27, Notts 0; Old Edwardians 3, Old Blues 12; Plymouth Albion 6, Penzance and Newlyn 11.

Stroud 3, Cheltenham 0; Taunton 10, Bridgwater and Albion 3; Torquay Athletic 3, Exeter 6; Waterloo 5, Leicester 6; Gala 12, Glasgow Academicals 6; Heriot's Former Pupils 3, Hawick 10; Hillhead High School Former Pupils 6, Watsonians 8; Sale 3, Birkenhead Park 6; Maesteg 14, Pontypridd 0; Pontypool 9, Lanelly 5.

RUGBY LEAGUE

New Zealand Tour:—Halifax 18, New Zealand 12.

League:—Batley 29, Doncaster 9; Belle Vue Rangers 6, Leigh 10; Cardiff 12, Bradford Northern 52; Featherstone Rovers 10, Hunslet 17; Hull 9, Wakefield Trinity 20; Keighley 23, Castleford 7; Leeds 29, Huddersfield 15; Rochdale Hornets 31, Liverpool City 8.

Salford 30, Hull Kingston Rovers 11; St Helen's 10, Barrow 3; Warrington 20, Swinton 17; Whitehaven 20, Bramley 7; Widnes 9, Oldham 0; Wigan 5, Workington Town 12; York 14, Dewsbury 12.—Reuter.

France Wins Military Athletic Meeting

Rome, Sept. 23.

France today won the 1951 European Military Athletics Championship.

The French team, repeating its victory at the championships last year, scored 110 points.

Italy was second with 66½ points, Britain was third with 64½ points.—Reuter.

ST. LEGER WINNER STAGGERED ALL THE EXPERTS

TALMA II IS LED IN

London, Sept. 23.

Many of Britain's most famous owners and trainers were staggered as they watched M. Marcel Boussac's colt, Talma II, race home a ridiculously easy winner of this year's Doncaster St. Leger last weekend.

In the paddock before the race, the French colt had been very restless and excited. It needed the undivided attention of two grooms to pacify him and more than a few wished they had not joined in the late scramble to back him.

Talma's price had tumbled to 7 to 1 from the overnight offer of 100 to 6. His 10-lengths' victory (many said it looked nearer 15) was the biggest official margin for 99 years. Then Stockwell, later to prove a great English sire, beat Harbinger, also by 10 lengths.

FOR THE RECORD

But for the record it was not the easiest St. Leger win. Don John had 12 lengths to spare over his rivals in the St. Leger of 1883. Talma's amazing win changed the Boussac luck with a vengeance, for the next day at Longchamp the French owner landed the French St. Leger by four lengths with Stymphale.

At Doncaster, the successful jockey was the brilliant Australian, Rae Johnstone.

But to revert to the English classic, quite a few racing writers have discounted Talma's win, stating that his time for the race was only three-fifths of a second better than the slowest St Leger (Book Law in 1927) since 1900.

The yielding going would mainly account for that.

Others said that he was virtually the only fresh horse in the race (he had only run two races before, both of which he won) and that he defeated a crowd of stale, poor-class classic animals.

But the fact remains that Britain, with the Festival of Britain Stakes' winner, Supreme Court, now retired, will have nothing with which to oppose him in next year's Cup races if he remains in training.

The only "hard luck" story heard after Talma's win came from jockey Charlie Smirke, on the runner-up, the Begum Aga Khan's Fraise du Bois.

HOPELESSLY SHUT IN

Smirke said that he was hopelessly shut in until it was too late. He said that Fraise du Bois was fully 30 lengths behind Talma when he got clear but he made up 20 of them.

It is extremely doubtful, however, if Fraise du Bois would have beaten the Boussac colt even with a clear run.

Fraise du Bois is to join the British "team" for the mammoth French prize, the Prix de l'Ace de Triomphe, at Longchamp next month. Talma will not be in the field.

Another unpleasant fact derived from the St Leger is that Zucchero's poor display does not pay much compliment to the chance of Le Sage in the "Arc de Triomphe."

Le Sage, a Chamossaire colt unbeaten in five consecutive outings in Britain this season, beat Zucchero by four lengths in match race at Newbury early in August, and ideas that he would prove a good first string in the absence of Supreme Court may now have to be revised.—Reuter.

M. Marcel Boussac of France, leading in his victorious colt, Talma II, Rae Johnstone up, after the St. Leger stakes at Doncaster.—Reuterphoto.

KCC Win The Liberation Shield

Kowloon Cricket Club won the lawn bowls Liberation Shield for the second time in the past four years by beating Kowloon Bowling Green Club yesterday.

KCC were 70 shots up in two previous matches and yesterday they won by 13 shots.

The annual competition was started four years ago and since then the Shield had been won by the two clubs alternatively.

The results of yesterday's match were:

H. Dittins, B. Shirazee, W. J. Howard, C. Thomas (K.C.C.) drew with J. W. Bellamy, T. Wren, C. Wilcox, E. Greenwood, 16-16.

M. R. Snell, L. Bones, C. R. Rosselet, M. N. Rakuson beat L. C. Harris, A. J. Roberts, A. Spary, D. Trail 29-15.

H. Ridsdale, A. C. Tribble, J. A. Tibble, W. Marshallsay lost to E. W. Simmons, J. Tindall, E. Purvis, R. B. Robertson, 18-20.

W. Colledge, B. A. Gray, G. Lee, F. Goodwin lost to A. Bank, P. Hughes, J. Crighton, W. C. Simpson, 23-37.

W. Hitchins, E. H. P. White, C. I. Stapleton, W. N. Davidson lost to A. M. Buchanan, E. B. S. Baker, F. Francis, A. E. Elliot, 10-19.

V. C. Labrum, W. Baker, G. Ladd, J. Landolt beat A. Bailey, E. W. Burton, J. Dinnen, C. C. Norman, 23-16.

A. V. Lopes, D. Rosselet, R. S. Capell, E. C. Fincher beat A. Hutton, A. Volckaert, R. Wiggington, A. Marshall, 25-15. J. Tang, J. N. F. R. Kerman, J. Wong, W. Hong sling lost to E. Shaw, F. C. Ciemo, T. Bicker, W. McCall, 13-20.

KCC Draw With Gen. Hospital

In a friendly cricket match yesterday, KCC drew with 33rd General Hospital.

Batting first, KCC knocked up 109 for nine wickets and declared. K. Greene scored 50 not out and J. Barrow contributed 33. RSM Reed took seven wickets for 36.

The 33rd General Hospital replied with 106 for eight wickets. Cpl Stott knocked up 56 and Capt Oatley 11. J. Barrow took two wickets for 10 while D. H. Andrews and C. W. Digby also took two wickets for 17 and 14 respectively.

HOCKEY RESULTS

The following were results of yesterday's hockey matches:

1st Division. — Thunderbolt beat Royal Navy "A" 3-2.

Friendly. — Royal Air Force beat Royal Navy "B" 1-0.

Italy Wins European Bridge Championships

Venice, Sept. 23.

Italy today won the open event of the 1951 European Bridge Championships while Britain carried off the women's title.—Reuter.

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"KWEIYANG"	Singapore, Penang & Belawan	5 p.m. 26th Sept.
"HANYANG"	Tientsin	10 a.m. 29th Sept.
"SHENGKING"	Keelung	5 p.m. 30th Sept.*
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Unique Elections Being Held In India This Year

Bombay, Sept. 23.

The forthcoming general elections in India in the winter of 1951-52 will be on such an unprecedented scale and will contain so many unique features that they cannot fail to be watched with keen interest by political students all over the world.

Never before in history will so gigantic a poll have been witnessed. An estimated electorate of 180,000,000 will vote to return 712 candidates to a biocameral parliament composed of a Lower House and a Council of State (Upper House).

This compares with the British electorate of 25,000,000 in the February, 1950, elections; 95,000,000 in the 1940 United States presidential election; 100,000,000 in the 1940 Soviet elections; and, 105,000,000 in the last Chinese Legislative Yuan elections.

The Indian electorate will be a combination of a comparatively sophisticated urban population and a large and illiterate rural one. Much emphasis is being placed in the planning of the election to get the overwhelmingly illiterate population to exercise the franchise.

In order to guide the illiterate voter there will be distinct symbols for the candidates of each political party. They will be such as will be easily recognisable by everybody. The voter will have only to drop his ballot paper into a particular "symbol box" to record his vote.

Some observers doubt the wisdom of the choice of symbols and wonder to what extent in a country like India the votes cast will be for the symbols themselves and not for the candidates they represent.

Symbols to the superstitious in this land of superstition have a profound meaning. For instance, there is the Indian who regards an umbrella as unlucky or inauspicious, just as another would regard the elephant as a symbol of prosperity.

To the voter, especially the illiterate, who takes his symbols seriously, this could well mean his plumping for just the symbol and not the party it represents on crucial election day. Which poses quite a problem for candidates contesting the elections.

A combined election committee of the various political parties contesting the elections decided on the following symbols: hut, tree, human hand, flower, fire (a burning stick), ear of corn, bullock cart, boat, plough, bird, lantern, umbrella, pair of scales, spade, hookah (water tobacco-pipe of Arab origin used by Northern Indians), pitcher, elephant, camel and horse.

On an average a parliamentary constituency will cover a population of 720,000. However, the average electorate per constituency will be 325,000.

Each member of the Lower House will represent not less than 500,000 taxpayers or not more than 750,000. It will cost a candidate contesting the elections around Rs. 20,000 to send out a postcard to every voter in his constituency.

The forthcoming elections will be the first time that a population as composite and as variegated as India's will take part in a modern election. Already in various parts of the country election rehearsals are being held to educate the voter in the complex machinery of an election.—United Press.

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Boys Find Chunk Of Uranium

Albuquerque, Sept. 23.

A big chunk of metal found in an empty lot by three Dalhart, Texas, boys has been identified by the Atomic Energy Commission as a uranium casting.

The chunk found by the boys, and a larger one found when an investigation was started, were variously estimated to be worth from $500 to $33,000. The one the boys found weighed about 33 pounds.

The Atomic Energy Commission has taken possession of the two pieces under the Atomic Energy Act.

The AEC said yesterday the piece found by the Dalhart boys was normal uranium and scientists believe it to be an experimental piece at least seven or eight years old.

The age of the piece would place it before the first atomic bomb. In 1943, scientists were working at Los Alamos to produce the experimental bomb that was shot off in the New Mexico desert on July 16, 1945. The Army then was operating Los Alamos under its super-secret Manhattan Project. Dalhart is about 800 miles east of Los Alamos on a direct highway.

The boys found the uranium less than a block off the highway from Los Alamos.

They were jumping out of a tree. They saw the piece of metal and dug it up so they wouldn't hurt their feet on it.

The metal was blacker than the lead in a pencil. When the boys hit it with a hammer, bursting sparks flew. So they played with it for two months before turning it over to the authorities.—Associated Press.

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"GIALONG"		Oct. 2	Phanri & Saigon
†"OYONNAX"	Oct. 23	Oct. 25	— „ —
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Healthy State Of Business In U.S.

New York, Sept. 22.

Production of the nation's steel plants was scheduled to rise this week to 2,023,000 net tons of ingots and steel for castings, the American Iron and Steel Institute said.

This estimate is based on the industry's plans to operate facilities at 101.2 per cent of their rated capacity, compared with 100 per cent in the preceding week when output was placed at 1,999,000 tons.

In the comparable week a year ago, when the industry's capacity was lower, an operating rate of 100.4 per cent resulted in production of 1,936,400 tons.

Daily average gross crude oil production increased 4,000 barrels in the week ended September 15, totalling 6,282,200 and compared with 5,938,330 barrels a year ago, the American Petroleum Institute said.

Reports from refining companies indicate that the industry as a whole operated at 94.0 per cent of capacity.

Finished and unfinished petrol stocks totalled 114,318,000 barrels compared with 114,871,000—barrels as of the previous week.

Railroad freight volume bounded up sharply last week, the Association of American Railroads reported.

Loadings for the week ended September 15 totalled 850,812 cars, up 117,904 cars or 16.1 per cent above the previous week, which included the Labour Day holiday.

The total was 15,846 cars below the corresponding week in 1950, but 107,790 cars or 14.5 per cent above the same week in 1949.

CONTRACT AWARDS

Heavy construction contract awards reported in the week ended Monday rose to $232,381,000 or 22 per cent more than the previous week's $189,224,000, Engineering News Record said.

However, the total was 15 per cent below the weekly average to date this year and also below the $230,000,000, for the corresponding week last year.

Commercial and industrial failures increased to 164 in the week ended Sept. 13, about even with the 165 in the like week of 1950, Dun and Bradstreet reported today. In the preceding week failures totalled 116.

Retail trade rose slightly in the past week over the previous week, Dun and Bradstreet reported.

Total retail volume in the week ended Wednesday was estimated to be from one per cent above to four per cent below a year ago for the country as a whole.

The Dun and Bradstreet weekly wholesale food price index was at its lowest point since November 28, 1950, despite higher prices for such staples as wheat, beef, eggs and butter.

The index declined from $6.79 a week ago to $6.77. It still was 1.5 per cent above the year-ago level of $6.67.

The week's motor vehicle output is estimated by Ward's Automotive Reports at 128,705 units. Ward's counted 90,988 cars and 26,717 trucks in the week's output. This compares with 100,564 cars and 26,905 trucks assembled the previous week and 153,006 cars and 26,307 trucks built in the same week of 1950. — Associated Press.

Price Trend In America

Washington, Sept. 22.

Wholesale prices, as measured by the Government, continued their steady decline during the week ended September 18.

The Bureau of Labour Statistics reported that its index edged down one-tenth per cent during the week.

Wholesale commodity prices as measured by the Associated Press commodity index inched upward for the third week in a row.

The Associated Press index of 35 important commodities stood on Friday night at 100.84 compared with 100.09 last week and 104.05 a year ago. The base year is 1926, which equals 100.

Livestock prices led the increase with a spectacular gain of 5.89 points. Also higher were industrials and the grains. On the downside were food and textiles, the textiles hitting a new low for the year.—Associated Press.

CITY AND THE ELECTION

Looking Forward To A Conservative Victory

But Realisation Present Of Hard Road Ahead

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Sept. 23.

Reaction of the Stock Exchange to the announcement that a general election will be held on October 25 was both immediate and explosive.

The upward movement of share prices began on Wednesday on rumours that an official announcement was imminent, gathered pace on Thursday following confirmation of the rumours and slackened on Friday after the first "psychological" effects had worn off.

Though reactions differed in various sections of the market all were based on one assumption—that a general election would result in a victory for the Conservatives and therefore in the demise of the dividend control proposal.

Given this assumption the markets behaved much as was to be expected. Those shares that had suffered most heavily as a result of the dividend control announcement by Mr Gaitskell on July 26 came back into favour. On the other hand, the minor boom in dollar stocks, which had become the favourite hedge against a dividend freeze, was nipped in the bud.

The Financial Times' index of industrial ordinary share prices, which stood at 133.6 after the close of business on Tuesday, rose to 135.3 on Wednesday and to 138.6 on Thursday. On Friday, however, a calmer mood prevailed and the index fell back to 138.2.

Naturally the shares most prominent in this rise were those which had registered the biggest falls following the dividend freeze proposal. These included, besides a wide range of home industrial shares, most rubber, tin and other overseas commodity shares. But for the fact that the dividend control proposal itself had been largely discounted by investors, these rises might well have gone further.

In Friday's more cautious atmosphere some of the previous day's gains were lost but the undertone remained very firm.

TIME TO CONSIDER

Investors have now had time to consider the new set of circumstances, and their general conclusion appears to be that although prospects are much brighter than seemed possible a week or two ago, a Conservative victory—which is taken for granted in the City—may not be entirely an unmixed blessing.

The government in power after next month's general election—whether Socialist or Conservative—will have to grapple with one of the gravest economic crises of recent years. There is no reason to believe that a Conservative government would find a quick and easy road to a solution to such problems as the shortages of coal and electricity and the deteriorating balance of payments situation.

The most that can be hoped for is that a government will be returned with a large enough majority in the House of Commons to take the necessary drastic action that these problems call for.

However, from the City's point of view there are several valid reasons to hope for a Conservative victory. In the first place, of course, it would remove the present threat of dividend control.

Secondly, a Conservative Chancellor would probably take a more lenient view than his predecessor towards the raising of new capital.

Thirdly, there would be no more nationalisation.

This was the psychological background to the Stock Exchange boom on Wednesday and Thursday.

OTHER FACTORS

Friday's pause for reflection, on other hand, showed that investors were aware that other factors were involved. On a reassessment of the prospects they came round to the view expressed by The Economist that "there are no short and easy roads through the dark entanglement of economic and financial difficulties that will confront the new parliament."

Overriding problem that the new government will have to solve is how to stop the inflation that is now taking a firm hold of the national economy. There is no painless cure for this financial ailment and it may well involve measures that will prove unpopular in the City. These may include the raising of short-term interest rates, and Friday's downward movement in short-dated Government stocks reflected this possibility.

On the other hand there is undoubtedly a feeling abroad in the City that the Conservatives would have more success in combating inflation than the Socialists. This week's rise in gilt-edged prices is partly attributable to this belief and also partly to the possibility of de-nationalisation operations by the Conservatives.

SOME DOUBTS

But even on the question of de-nationalisation of the steel industry—to which the Conservatives are pledged — certain doubts present themselves. For instance, what are to be the mechanics of de-nationalisation? As The Times' city editor comments:

"It is admittedly part of the Stock Exchange's business to count chickens before they are hatched. But counting the eggs before an omelette is unscrambled is an exercise in a different stratum."

On balance, however, there can be no doubt that the City in general, and the investor in particular, looks forward to a Conservative victory with high hope. Whether these hopes will be justified in the event is another matter.

The Stock Exchange will probably now settle down to await the result of the poll in the knowledge that this week's undisguised glee on their part at the announcement of a general election date is already providing an excellent propaganda point for the Socialists.

Shortage Of Scrap Metal

Cleveland, Sept. 23.

Steel production was the highest in a month last week, Steel Magazine reported today, but a shortage of scrap has producers worried about maintaining the pace.

The national ingot operating rate went up one point to 11 per cent of capacity.

That's exactly what it was one year ago, but capacity was substantially smaller than the weekly magazine of metal working reported.

The demand for steel is the greatest in the industry's history, Steel said, and most mills will enter the fourth quarter with substantial arrearages and little chance of catching up on orders during the period.

Some producers are taking nothing but top priority orders for the first quarter of 1952.

Carbon bars are becoming difficult to obtain, and platemakers say there is little chance of rolling any new orders in October and November, unless some current orders are cancelled.—Associated Press.

COMMODITY INCREASES IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Sept. 22.

Prospect that the Agriculture Department's thousands of field workers will soon be urging farmers to hold back corn and soybeans for higher prices sent these commodities up on the Board of Trade today. Gains ranged to several cents at one time.

Oats also firmed, being helped by the Agriculture Department's overnight announcement of higher support for the 1952 crop.

News from Washington said the Agriculture Department was making plans to urge farmers to hold corn and beans in the Government loan as long as the loan is higher than free market prices. A similar campaign is now under way in cotton.

Wheat closed unchanged to ¾ higher. December $2.45¾-45; March $2.48⅝; May $2.48¾; July $2.42¼.

Corn was 1¼-1½ higher. December $1.71⅛.

Oats were ⅛-1¼ higher. December 85⅝.

Rye, new style, was 1¼-1¾ higher. December $1.75½ (new style).

Soybeans were 1¾-2¾ higher.—Associated Press.

£150,000 On One Deal

Norman Henry Teakle, 56-year-old ex civil servant, whose commission on one lorry deal was said to be £150,000, died a poor man. "Indeed, he left very little," his widow said.

Teakle was once Ministry of Supply deputy director of disposals, and he left the Ministry in 1947 after an inquiry had been held by Security officers.

Then he became a director of Atlas Aviation, a charter company financed jointly with George Dawson, who is now on the Continent.

Mrs Teakle said that she had brought back to England the luggage her husband left in the Swiss sanatorium where he died. "Apart from his clothes, there are only a few personal documents," she said.

Scotland Yard has been searching for files of correspondence and contracts concerning sales of Supply Ministry surplus vehicles.

One of the contracts was alleged to concern the sale of 4,000 vehicles at an average price of £45.

Many of these vehicles were said to have been sold by the firm that bought them from the Ministry for an average of £250 each.

The first creditors' and shareholders' meeting of Atlas Aviation, Ltd., was held at the Bankruptcy Court last May. Liabilities were then said to be £31,000. No trace of any assets could be found.

Says Mrs Teakle: "My husband lost the money he put into the company."

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(Our Own Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning was valued at $600,230. Noon prices and morning's transactions:—

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
BANKS			
HK Bank ..	1525	1560	30 @ 1540
East Asia ..	123		
INSURANCES			
Union	750	760	
Underwriters	4	6.20	
HK Fire ...	135		
DOCKS, ETC.			
K Wharf ..	93		200 @ 94
N. Pt. Wharf	6.10		1000 @ 6.10
			1000 @ 6.10
Dock	18		500 @ 18.
			200 @ 18.
			700 @ 18½
Provident ..	14.10		
Whitelock ..	27		
LAND, ETC.			
HK Hotel ..	6.55		1000 @ 6.45
			500 @ 6½
			1500 @ 6½
			500 @ 6.60
HK Land ..	51½		500 @ 50¾
			125 @ 50¾
			125 @ 50¾
			100 @ 51¼
S'hai Land .	1.55		
Humphreys .	11¾		500 @ 12
UTILITIES			
Tram	16½	16¾	1000 @ 16.
			3500 @ 16.
			1500 @ 16½
			1000 @ 16¾
			1500 @ 16¾
			300 @ 16¾
P. Tram (O)	21		
Star Ferry ..	103		
C. Light (O)	9		1000 @ 8.80
			500 @ 8.85
			1000 @ 8½
C. Light (N)	8.80		1000 @ 8.60
C. Light (B)	8½		1000 @ 8½
			2000 @ 8.60
			500 @ 8.70
			1000 @ 8.60
Electric XD .	35½		300 @ 35.
			80 @ 35.
			100 @ 35.
			500 @ 35½
			300 @ 35¾
			300 @ 36.
			100 @ 36.
Telephone ..	14½		
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	14½	14¾	500 @ 14¾
			500 @ 14¾
			1000 @ 14¾
Rope	10¼	10¾	
STORES, ETC.			
Dairy	17.60		300 @ 17½
			2100 @ 17½
			500 @ 17½
			1000 @ 17½
			1000 @ 17¾
			1000 @ 17¾
Watson	23		500 @ 17¾
L. Crawford	28	29	1000 @ 23½
COTTONS			
Ewo	2.80		

Decline In Bradford Wool Price

Bradford, Sept. 23.

There was a limited volume of business in crossbred wool tops last week, partly on export account, and prices have moved steadily lower.

Quotations were based on New Zealand rather than London costs and some of the business accepted was believed to have been at prices which show little profit on wool bought in the cheapest markets.

There is a feeling in wool quarters here that prices are nearing the point at which they may command increased attention on the intrinsic value of wool but dealers are awaiting more encouragement from the consuming end.

Top quotations were lower than a week ago, as follows:—70th "A" 140 pence per pound, 64th "A" at 130 pence, "B" 125 pence, 60's super 112 pence, 58 super 105 pence, 56's super 92 pence, 5's 70 pence; 48's 65 pence and 46's 63 pence.—United Press.

FABRICS UP

New York, Sept. 23.

American Woollen Company, the world's largest wool and worsted fabric maker, today announced Spring prices around 40 cents a yard higher than pre-Korea tags.

The advances on its Spring, 1952, fabrics ranged from 35 cents a yard on a few items to 52½ cents on one of its suiting mixtures. Most of the increases were a flat 40 cents a yard.—Associated Press.

INDIAN COAL FOR JAPAN

Tokyo, Sept. 23.

A total of 205,000 tons of Indian coal will be imported by the Toyo Menka Company under the April, June and July, September foreign currency budgets, according to trade sources.

Of the amount contracted, 70,000 tons will go to the Tokyo Gas Company and a similar quantity to the Osaka Gas Company. The Yawata Iron and Steel Works and the Fuji Iron and Steel Works will each receive 30,000 tons and the Toho Gas Company 5,000 tons.

A total of 61,600 tons will be transported to Japan by Japanese freighters, according to the same source.—United Press.

Big Advances In Cotton

New Orleans, Sept. 20.

General buying in cotton futures today skyrocketed prices $5.30 to $5.85 a bale before profit-taking cut the rise. Closing prices were very steady $2.85 to $3.40 a bale higher.

October	36.21
December	36.02-04
March	36.07
May	36.12
July	35.04

Spot cotton closed steady $3.50 a bale higher.
Middling 35.85
—Associated Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:—

Sterling note (per £1)	15.70
U.S. Dollars (per $1)	6.75
Indonesia guilders (per 100)	3.30
Siam ticals (per 100)	27.70
Singapore (Straits)	1.75
FIC piastres (per 100)	13.025

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ARRIVALS

Date	Ship	From
27th Sept.	"TASMAN"	Belawan Deli, Penang & Singapore
28th Sept.	"TJITJALENGRA"	Macassar, Java Ports & Singapore
29th Sept.	"TJISAMPEK"	S. Africa & Singapore
30th Sept.	"STRAAT MAKASSAR"	Holland (Maiden Voyage)
3rd Oct.	"VAN HEUTSZ"	Japan
6th Oct.	"TEGELBERG"	S. America, S. Africa, Singapore & Manila
12th Oct.	"TJIWANGI"	Macassar, Java Ports & Singapore
16th Oct.	"TJIBESAR"	Japan
2nd Nov.	"STRAAT MAKASSAR"	Japan

SAILINGS To

1st Oct.	"TJITJALENGRA"	Singapore, Java Ports & Macassar
2nd Oct.	"STRAAT MAKASSAR"	Japan Ports
3rd Oct.	"TJISAMPEK"	Japan Ports
4th Oct.	"VAN HEUTSZ"	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Deli
11th Oct.	"TEGELBERG"	Japan Ports
12th Oct.	"TASMAN"	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Deli
17th Oct.	"TJIWANGI"	Singapore, Java Ports & Macassar
18th Oct.	"TJIBESAR"	Manila, Singapore, E. & S. Africa & S. America
4th Nov.	"STRAAT MAKASSAR"	Manila, Singapore, S. Africa & S. America

Agents: HOLLAND EAST ASIA LINE

ARRIVALS

Date	Ship	From
4th Oct.	"HOOGKERK"	Japan.
11th Oct.	"ARENDSKERK"	Europe & Singapore.
11th Nov.	"ARENDSKERK"	Japan.
2nd week Nov.	"KIELDIJKCHT"	Europe & Singapore

SAILINGS To

4th Oct.	"HOOGKERK"	Manila, Singapore & Europe
13th Oct.	"ARENDSKERK"	Japan via Manila
12th Nov.	"ARENDSKERK"	Manila, Singapore, & Europe.

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Known Spy At Large In America

From Chapman Pincher

Washington, Sept. 23.

A Communist atom spy, known to have been almost as damaging as Klaus Fuchs, is living freely in America although the FBI has a cast-iron case against him.

G-men dare not prosecute because they could not secure a conviction without presenting evidence which would give away top secret information, I was officially told.

It is not possible to try a civilian spy case *in camera* here as it is in Britain. During the trial of Julius Rosenberg and his wife Ethel—who are now in the Sing Sing death house awaiting hearing of their appeal—the United States Government had to permit disclosure of top secret details of the atom bomb mechanism.

The spy, born in America, is now living near New York. He worked as an atom scientist in the huge atom explosive plant at Oak Ridge, Tennessee during the war.

He is known to have given information to Russian agents on the methods of making Uranium 235 and heavy water. He was also deeply involved with the professional Russian spy known as Arthur Alexandrovitch Adams, who organised a spy ring in the United States.

Adams mysteriously managed to escape to Russia when he realised G-men were about to arrest him. The FBI are still trying to find out who arranged this escape. They suspect that some highly placed United States official must have helped.

Meanwhile the known spy is being continually watched. If the evidence which the G-men would need to use is eventually taken off the secret list, he will almost certainly be arrested. — London Express Service.

EXPRESS HITS LAND MINE

The Canton-Hankow express hit a land mine laid by Nationalist guerillas in the vicinity of Yuan Tam station in Hunan and the locomotive was blown to pieces, killing its driver and fireman outright, according to a Chinese Press report.

A number of passengers are also reported to have been injured.

Services between Canton and Hankow were suspended for two days following the incident because the rail bed was also damaged by the explosion.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

1. In the Indian Ocean. 2. Banking. 3. Iowa. 4. From the Hebrew "Shabath" meaning "to rest." 5. The purity of milk. 6. Nephew.

Human Ostrich Performer

Singing, dancing and music is a common form of busking throughout the whole world, but this Indian has a new style. He calls himself the Human Ostrich and claims that he could stay with his head under the ground for several days. When performing outside the Calcutta racecourse, however, he came up at frequent intervals, just to see if any money had found its way into his bowl.—Express.

Churchill-Stalin Meeting May Become Election Issue

London, Sept. 23.

A Conservative Party campaigner today revealed the Churchill-Stalin meeting idea as an issue in the British general elections set for October 25.

Winston Churchill, the wartime Prime Minister and Conservative Party chief, proposed a personal meeting for himself with the Soviet Prime Minister in the last unsuccessful Tory campaign to unseat the Labour government in February, 1950.

Captain Richard Stanley, Conservative member of Parliament, told a political meeting at Scarborough today that Mr Churchill as Prime Minister would arrange a personal meeting with Stalin to ease world tensions.

"The Socialist (Labour Party) claims that they are able to get on with Russia has been debunked for good and all," Capt. Stanley said.

"Mr Churchill has already made his friendship with Stalin, and one of the first things he will do when he is Prime Minister will be, I am sure, to go and meet Stalin again and try to establish a friendship between the top men in the two countries, as well as between their peoples."

Mr Churchill and Stalin met several times at big power conferences of the last war up to the Potsdam meeting in the summer of 1945 when he had been unseated by the emerging Labour government of Prime Minister Clement Attlee.

Generalising, political observers believe the campaign is shaping up as a battle of the two top personalities, pugnacious Churchill and quiet Attlee.

These observers say neither Labour nor the Conservatives could promise—and hope to bring—surcease from Britain's worsening economic plight or check inflation.

In their opinion, voters will have to choose whether they believe Mr Churchill's Conservatives or Mr Attlee's Socialists could best lead the country the next five years on the basis of which set of men they like best. — Associated Press.

AMBASSADOR HERE

Sir Esler Dening, first British post-war Ambassador to Japan, arrived here this morning from Southampton by RMS Corfu, en route to Tokyo.

The distinguished visitor was taken ashore from the liner at Kowloon Bay in the Governor's launch.

Sir Esler, who is a leading expert on the Far East, and wartime political adviser to the Supreme Allied Command in South-east Asia, will resume his trip by the mv Glengarry tomorrow afternoon.

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Paris Anticipates New Soviet Move

Paris, Sept. 23.

High French authorities are considering the possibility that Russia is seeking talks with France apart from the Big Four, informed sources said today.

Officially nothing has been said or hinted on either side. But a study of recent events has reached Cabinet level. These events are:

1. At the San Francisco conference for signing the Japanese peace treaty, Russia made no critical remarks about the presence of the three French states of Laos, Vietnam and Cambodia. Nor were kind words said about Ho Chi-minh, Communist leader who is fighting the French here.

2. The Russians recently have released two batches of Frenchmen to be returned to Alsace, a territory which was German when the men were captured, but now is French.

3. The French were told that the French Consul interned in North Korea was well treated.

4. French observers pointed out that a recent note from Russia to France contained less poisonous language than previous Red notes to other Western Allies. The note charged that the proposed rearmament of Germany and French membership in the North Atlantic pact violated the Franco-Russian treaty of friendship.

As yet France has sent no reply. There evidently is conflict in French government quarters on the subject. Not all the top bracket officials think the Russians really are seeking a talk with the French.

MAJOR PROBLEM

A major problem if such a meeting came about would be the reaction in the United States. Informants made it plain the US would be consulted about any such conference and would be kept informed of its progress. The same was true of Britain.

This correspondent was told that there was not the remotest possibility that France would be pulled out of its close relationship with the US and Britain.

The French were able quickly to uncover a reason why Russia might be seeking bi-lateral talks. The steps taken at Washington toward rearmament of Germany have raised a new problem for Russia. Russia obviously would prefer to have Western Europe dominated by France than by Germany.

And just now Russia is in a position to make France much stronger. Russia, and perhaps only Russia, can quickly end the war in Indo-China which has been sapping French military strength for the past five years.

Russia has recognised the guerilla leader Ho Chi-minh and his Vietminh followers as the true government of Indo-China, but the Kremlin could change all that.

Russia would gain if she could lower tension in Europe. It is this tension which launched the Western Powers on a rearmament operation which may include Germany far earlier than Russia would like.—Associated Press.

Reds' New Travel Facilities

According to a Chinese Press report, the Communist authorities in Canton, have issued a new set of immigration regulations superseding the previous decree as follows:

Travellers to and from Macao and Hongkong, possessing valid entry or exit permits, are now at liberty to choose the vehicles of their travel, and need not have to state specifically whether they are travelling by sea or land route.

An exit or entry permit is valid until the date of its expiry, and travellers are at liberty to make as many trips as they may wish in the specified time. It is now unnecessary to get endorsement for each trip.

Any person possessing a valid Identification Card issued by the Security Department can now be accepted as a guarantor for a traveller applying for a permit. It is not necessary to have a shop guarantee when applying for a travelling document.

Living Language

Why we say Hang out.

Nowadays only certain trades and professions, such as publicans, barbers and bankers, really "hang out" at the address they live at because by custom they hang out their signs there. But we all of us sometimes use the phrase "where do you hang out?" meaning "where do you live?" because of the old custom of sign-hanging.

SCOUTS BACK FROM JAMBOREE

Hongkong's Scouts contingent to the world jamboree in Austria returned here this morning by RMS Corfu from England.

The group of seven Boy Scouts selected to represent the Colony at the jamboree—for the first time since 1912—were welcomed aboard on their arrival by Rev. T.E. Gover, RN, Acting Colony Scout Commissioner.

Members of the 35th Kowloon presented to their colleague, Leung Yiu-ko, with a silver ornament to welcome his return.

Hale and hearty, the Hongkong Scouts expressed their joy to be "Home at last."

Said 15-year-old Ho Shiu-hei, of the 15th Hongkong Troop, who has been awarded the Gilt Cross for Gallantry by Lord Rowallan, Chief Scout, "Of all the places we have visited, Hongkong is the best—clean, neat and modern."

A Grand Camp Fire will be held on October 6 at St Joseph's College which will be the first official reception to be given to the Hongkong contingent.

"We will display all our souvenirs which we have collected during our tour," remarked Contingent leader C. H. Hon.

Battle For "Heartbreak" Hill Rages

Eighth Army HQ., Sept. 24.

Allied troops beat off four enemy attacks southeast of Kumsong on Sunday and farther east United Nations forces gained the top of "Heartbreak" hill north of Yanggu after 12 days of bloody fighting for the peak.

The battle north of Yanggu resumed before dawn on Sunday morning with UN troops pushing toward the peak from the north and south. At 6 p.m. the soldiers fighting up the northern slopes drove the enemy from deep entrenchments and fought off a brief counter-attack. Allied troops fighting up the south slopes failed to reach the top with the result that at nightfall the crest was being shared by the enemy and UN fighters.

Heartbreak Hill is a peak of a north-south ridgeline above notorious Bloody Ridge northeast of Yanggu. In another savage hill fight northwest of Yanggu, UN troops fought to within yards of the enemy-held peak, but stalled and withdrew back down the slope after heavy fighting that raged from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.

The enemy launched his heaviest attack in days southeast of Kumsong sending four sharp jabs at Allied positions. All four attacks ranging from squad to company size were beaten off by the Allied defenders.

Elsewhere along the front, UN patrols pushing out from the Allied line met stubborn resistance from an enemy that hurled small arms, mortar and artillery fire forcing the patrols to withdraw after brief contacts.—United Press.

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION

This test will present little difficulty.

If m is the length of the diagonal (in feet) we have $m^2 = (m-39)^2 + (m-63)^2$ whence $(m-13)(m-75) = 0$. So m is 75 (13 being clearly an impossible alternative) and the sides of the hall are 36ft. and 60ft. respectively.

The area is 2160 square feet.

London Express Service

15-Pound Hammer As Exhibit In Murder Trial

EVIDENCE BY WIDOW

A 15-pound iron hammer was produced as an exhibit in a murder trial before the Senior Puisne Judge, Mr Justice Gould, in the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Standing in the dock was Cheung Hon, 29, assistant blacksmith, charged with the murder of his master, Cheung Sum-lee, 38, blacksmith, at Tung Tau Village, Kowloon City, on June 26 last.

It is alleged by the Prosecution that after the evening meal, accused picked up a hammer and struck deceased a blow on the head, from which he later died in Hospital.

Conducting the case for the Prosecution is Mr M. Morley-John, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det. Sub-Insp. W. Watson and Det. Sub-Insp. C.Y. Siu.

Accused who pleaded not guilty to the charge is defended by Mr V.L.J. D'Alton, instructed by Mr H. Cain.

A Jury of five men and two women has been empanelled.

The Prosecutor said that on June 26 accused was working as assistant to deceased who was a blacksmith in Tung Tau Village. Working with accused were two other assistants.

Evidence would be called to show that the three fokis and their master and mistress took their evening meal after finishing work on June 26. Accused who finished his meal first was alleged to have walked behind deceased, picked up a hammer and struck deceased a blow on the head. Accused dropped the weapon and ran away. He was chased by deceased's widow and a foki but made good his escape.

The Police were called and deceased removed to Kowloon Hospital. He died the same evening.

Accused was later arrested at a quarry where he had been hiding since the alleged incident.

WIDOW'S EVIDENCE

Lee Yau-ho, the 24-year-old widow of the deceased, said her husband had three fokis in his employ at the time of his death, one of whom was the accused.

She remembered the evening of June 26. She and her husband and the three fokis sat down to their evening meal shortly after 7 p.m. Accused was the first to finish the meal, witness said. He walked to the back of her husband, took up a large hammer and struck her husband with it. Witness said she did not actually see the blow fall but heard a sound and she saw her husband slump down on his seat.

Accused then threw down the hammer, witness continued, and ran away. She chased him but lost him after 15 minutes. She returned and helped her husband who was unconscious. Later he was removed to Kowloon Hospital and the next day she identified his body at the Mortuary.

She had never heard her husband and the accused quarrel, witness said. Her husband did, however, occasionally call accused "silly boy" when the latter did not perform his duties properly.

The trial is proceeding.

REDS' NAVAL ACADEMY

For the purpose of strengthening local defences the Communists have set up a Naval Academy in Bocca Trigris, a fortress at the mouth of the Pearl River, according to a vernacular Press report.

It is said that the authorities have issued a decree calling up able-bodied persons between the ages of 16 to 30 to enroll in the Academy.

A number of Communist naval officers, together with 17 Soviet advisers are reported to have arrived in Taipng, en route to the fortress.

Police Officer Remanded

Godfrey Dennis Turney, 25, Probationary Assistant Superintendent of Police, was further remanded for eight days on bail of $1,000 by Mr J. Wicks at Kowloon this morning on the application of Mr O'Reilly, ADC1 Kowloon.

Turney was charged on two counts of unlawfully and maliciously wounding a woman Cheng Sai-kuen, and a 12-year-old boy, Wong Man-sang, at Cook Street, Hunghom, on September 20, when a shot was fired during a hawker raid.

Mr O'Reilly, in reply to the Magistrate, said the condition of the wounded persons was improving.

FUEL OIL SHORTAGE

With the acute shortage of fuel oil in Red China, the Communist authorities in Central and South China have ordered all dealers in these provinces to register their stocks with the Fuel Control Board, according to a Chinese Press report.

Shipping and transportation companies, as well as factories, have been asked to submit their monthly requirements of fuel oil to the authorities, who will then decide as to the quantity to be allocated.

Dealers in fuel oil are forbidden to sell their stocks without the sanction of the authorities.

The provinces affected by this new ruling are Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Hupeh, Hunan, Kiangsi and Honan.

Mail Notices

Registered articles and parcel mails close one hour earlier than the ordinary mail times shown below:

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

By Air

Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 5 p.m., via B.O.A.C.
Japan, 5 p.m., B.O.A.C.
Formosa, Okinawa, U.S.A., Canada, 5 p.m., H.K.A./N.W.A.L.
Siam, Malaya, 5 p.m., C.P.A.

By Surface

Macao, 8 a.m.; 5 p.m., ss Chien Men/Tak Shing.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

By Air

Formosa, 10 a.m., via C.A.T.
Japan, 2 p.m., P.O.A.S.
Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, Ceylon, 5 p.m., B.O.A.C.
Indo-China, India, France, French North & West Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 5 p.m., Air France.
Philippines, N. Borneo, 5 p.m., C.P.A.

By Surface

Macao, 8 a.m.; 5 p.m., ss Chien Men/Tak Shing.
China People's Republic, 9.30 a.m., train via Canton.
N. Borneo, 9 a.m., ss Hin Sang.
Australia, New Zealand, Noon, ss Tai Ping.
Formosa, Noon, ss Glengarry.
Siam, 2 p.m., ss Yochow.
Indo-China, 2 p.m., ss Boker.

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6. Programme Summary; 6.02, Children's Half Hour Presented By Elizabeth Ann (Studio); 6.30, Portuguese Half Hour (Studio); 7. Songs by John McHugh (Tenor); 7.15, London Palladium Orchestra; 7.30, North Atlantic Council. "Report from Ottawa." Including recorded extracts from speeches by Mr Dean Acheson, Mr Herbert Morrison, Mr Lester Pearson, and Mr Robert Schuman at the North Atlantic Council Conference in Ottawa; 8, World News and News Analysis (London Relay); 8.15, "Britain Sings" (BBCTS). The Edinburgh University Singers Conducted by Jan Pipp-Watson; 8.30, "I Like What I Like" Presented by Muriel Parsons (Studio); 8.50, Weather Report; 9, "Calling All Forces" (Recorded Relay); 10, "Concerto" Piano Concerto in A Minor, Op 16 (Grieg) ... Benno Moiseiwitsch (Piano) and the Halle Orchestra conducted by Leslie Heward; 10.30, Chanson Francaise; 10.45, Music From The Films; 11, Radio News Reel (London Relay); 11.15, Goodnight Music; 11.20, Weather Report; God Save The King; 11.30, Close Down.

Rail Workers For Korea

A group of railway workers left Canton for Korea on Sunday, according to a Chinese Press report.

It is said that during the past few months several hundreds of railway workers have been transferred to the Korean war front.

Railway workers are urgently needed in Korea by the Communists to repair lines disrupted by Allied bombers.

From The Files

100 Years Ago

We take from the Hongkong Register of Tuesday last a very "heart-rending" tale, given by our contemporary "as a striking instance of the law of arrest for debt in this Colony." Some of the facts as stated, so far as we can learn are facts; but in running through the factful piece, a few variotary notes are made to accompany it, which, to our thinking, totally mar the effect that as "a striking instance" our (doubtless well-meaning) contemporary is desirous of exhibiting. We are to understand from the variotary notes spoken of, that the writer for the Register finds fault with the following parts of our Colonial law and practice.

1st. That before granting a writ of arrest it is the Registrar's place to certify himself of the justice of the demand.

2ndly. That it is unwise to render minors amenable to our civil courts.

And 3rdly that it was cruel to let the court's writ loose against a poor girl, who was incontinently thrown into prison, there to remain we presume, until the tender heart of the harridan relented,—or she consented to return to prostitution.

UNABLE TO AGREE

Now with the first mentioned complaint, no person who gives the matter a little consideration, will for a moment agree. It is not the Registrar's place to consider whether a claim is a just one, and to constitute himself a judge in the matter, and in this particular case, as in all such where a writ of *capias* is applied for, it was first necessary for one or more parties to swear that a certain sum of money was due by Achoy to the Plaintiff Attie, that there were good grounds for believing she, Achoy, intended to leave the Colony, and such being done what had the Registrar to do with the age, or even the sex, of the party to whose arrest the writ was sued out?

With that part of the first Section of Ordinance 9 of 1845 creating the Court's Summary jurisdiction, providing — "That no Party shall be precluded or exempted from suing or being sued under the aforesaid Summary Jurisdiction by reason of his or her not having attained the full Age of Twenty-one Years, or by reason of Goverture where the Husband shall not be resident within the said Colony of Hongkong"—we had thought no reasonable person could disagree. There is quite difficulty enough already in bringing a Chinese to justice in our courts, without requirement of proof as to age and place of birth, for, unlike the practice in our own country, Chinese do not know the utility of such little articles as certificates of baptism.

EQUALLY CRUEL

But coming to the Register's third ground of complaint, if it was cruel on the part of the court to let its writ loose and throw the poor girl into prison, it was equally as cruel towards the court, for the Register to insinuate that in prison the party would have to remain until the harridan's hard heart relented or Achoy consented to return to prostitution. Had the Register's reporter taken a little more pains in the matter before impugning the wisdom of our "quondam wise law giver Sir John Davis" he would have discovered that Achoy, at the time he wrote, was already in the possession of her liberty; that is to say she was already released on what the Sheriff deemed good and sufficient bail; and that whether she had been bailed or not — and whether the harridan's heart relented or not, and whether she returned to prostitution or not, her case would have been, and will be, investigated at the regular monthly sittings of the Supreme Court in Summary Jurisdiction (within a fortnight from the present date) and until the case is duly heard we also reserve further observation on what the Register styles "a monstrous case."

At this investigation it will probably transpire that the arrested one was not on the eve of becoming a wife, but that she had already become one (that is if a Chinese who has made formal profession of Christianity, is allowed to have more wives than one) but whatever may then transpire we do not think there will be any confirmation given to the Register's assertion that we have before us the disheartening spectacle of our highest court of justice, even when presided over by a venerable and an unimpeachable Judge, made the instrument, by legal ingenuity, of purposes most infamous.